

Minutes of the Board

Zionsville Community High School PTO 2024-2025

February 3, 2025

Board and Committee Member Attendance:

Present—Jenny Garrett, Lori House, Susie McKenna, Jennifer Ballen, Sarah Sampson, Candace Murphy, Lori Foster, Sandy Sifferlen, Anny Nguyen, Eileen Adam, Karen McDaniel, Rosa Ozuyener.

President's Report

- The meeting of the 2024-2025 PTO board was called to order at 9:34am by co-president Sarah Sampson.
- Lots of members at home with sick kids.
- Thank you for the great job everyone has done this year. The personalized stationary for teachers was a great hit.
- Small changes end up being big changes—switching Pie Day to March turned out to be a really good change.
- Sweet treat for teachers at the upcoming faculty meeting will have a Valentine's Day theme.
- Cost cutting and being conscious of the budget are going great.
- Appreciate how Hot Chocolate Day went—kids were very nice and polite.

Secretary's Report

- Minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. The number for Spirit Wear was not correct. Please make change and resubmit. Motion to approve with change by Sarah Sampson and was seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report

- We need the exact number for Spirit Wear. We only have \$80 and are waiting for another check to come in.
- Love the Cash Donation button on Sign-up Genius. Make sure that the verbiage on the sign up says that the cash might be used for other PTO events.
- Offer "Spring Favorites" in Spirit Wear—possibly buy in bulk and sell at the BTS table. Discussion on giving custom planners as gifts for cash donations.
- Discussion on trying a fundraiser.
- \$258 was brought in for the cookie walk. Extra cookies from Costco were returned and we now have a \$50 Costco credit.
- Received a donation from the alumni group.

- Received our Kroger donation.
- Please turn in receipts.
- Discussion on having a larger impact student/staff event, perhaps a speaker. Could combine grant and student services money. Brainstorming ideas. Might require sponsors and begging from community.
- Motion to approve the budget by Sarah Sampson. Seconded by Sandy Sifferlen. Approved.

Principal's Report

- Costco will donate up to \$500 to our organization. Meijer will also give \$250.
- Thanks for everything this past fall. Cookie Walk was a big hit.
- Sent out a recap of PTO events in December. Can do this quarterly.
- Need a letter to parents re: Senior Signs this week.
- First 8th Grade transition night was held and was well attended. Information about the new diploma requirements was presented and is available online. Counselors spent more time scheduling with students. Discussion on logistics of sessions.
- We are working on a club and activity transition night for 8th graders this spring.
- Inclement weather plan is shared with students via Canvas. 2-hour delay change will be the same on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- SAT is coming up March 6. It will be an eDay for all but 11th grade.
- Do Days is March 6-8.
- Student Resource Officer Appreciation Day is Feb. 15 but will be celebrated on Feb. 14.
- Eagle Ambassador is Feb. 18.
- Academic calendar should be completed by the end of February.
- Sarah asked Rosa to be on the Planner Committee. Need someone with a link to purchasing. Need to set up a planner meeting. Perhaps purchase 300-500 planners and get one with \$250 or \$500 donation.
- Discussion on selling phone book directory. Karen does not like the idea due to privacy issues.
- Looking at ways to enhance the student experience. Discussion on doing an outdoor, field day-type of event. Exploring food truck ideas, picnic tables for seniors, etc.
- Discussion on parking lot issues.
- Discussion on lunch food delivery.

Staff Services

- Pie Day is March 14. Sign-up Genius will be out soon and feature a cash donation button. Pie Day is for all staff (around 225 people). Will put out pie in individual boxes instead of on plates.
- Need to work with Karen on Teacher Appreciation Week.

Student Services

- Cookie distribution sign up was featured in the newsletter and volunteers are full.
- Finals treats went well. Kids who have no early transportation home get the large size candy bars.

Other Business

- Senior Signs ball is rolling. \$20 per sign. We will make a small amount of money that will be used for Senior Sunrise donuts or other special activity.
- Graduation info will go out later this month. Fun plans in the works for seniors.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:49am, by PTO Co-President, Sarah Sampson. Next meeting is April 14 at 9:30am.

Submitted by Jenny Garrett, April 6, 2025.