



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order - 7:02pm
2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda - None
3. Reports
 - a. Troy District Updates-C. DiPilato, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Schools
 - i. Charity Week- Both high schools surpassed their goals this year for fundraising.
 - ii. Girls Powerlifting 3-peat state champions.
 - iii. Bond Update
 1. Series 1-\$190 Million
 - a. On track to open new Smith Middle School 2026/2027 school year. New entrance off Livernois Rd.
 - b. Athletic Upgrades
 - i. Troy High-Baseball, softball, concession stand, restroom facilities and walkways
 - ii. Athens-Summer 2025-Baseball, Softball, Stadium
 - c. Playground updates at 6 elementary schools and 6 received new furniture, will switch this summer so all elementary schools have both playground updates and furniture.
 - d. Athens Design Phase
 - i. Construction to begin in 2026
 - e. Boulan Park will move into old Smith MS Fall 2026
 - f. Larson will move into Old Smith MS Fall 2027
 - iv. Budget Update
 1. Enrollment projection will continue to decline in alignment with most of the districts in Michigan. Live Birth Rate is lowest it has been since the 1940s. 2019 School of Choice numbers were scaled back.
 - a. Reduced enrollment decreases the funding/budget. Only modest increases over the years, not keeping up with the rate of inflation.
 - b. Annually about 30 retirements a year, using this to downsize through attrition.
 - v. Attendance Area Review
 1. The committee worked together to create a recommendation. Surveys went out. Information is now being shared with the Board. Middle schools are not equal in size of students. Smith has the least and Larson has the most.
 - vi. Brick Rock-Multi-tiered systems of support
 1. Areas of focus are looking at how students receive special services and how they receive their core instruction. Making some shifts to ensure all students have 100% core instruction.
 2. Math and ELA proficiency scores at the secondary level have increased for all students
 - vii. Website Updates
 1. Continuing to update based on feedback.

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- viii. OneTroy Highlights
 - 1. Ms. Vought a teacher at Athens was District & HS teacher of the year
 - 2. CAP-New legislative group this year. 72 students doing pre-internships.
- b. Principal - Mr. Vernon Burden
 - i. Student and Staff Appreciation Week. So thankful for the PTO and the parents who supported both events.
 - ii. Senior Dates
 - 1. Prom is May 16th at Andiamo
 - 2. Senior exams-Monday 1-3rd hour do not have to stay if they have their own transportation.
 - a. Tuesday. Rehearsal for Convocation during 3rd hour. 4-6th exams do not need to attend 1st-3rd
 - 3. Seniors last day and Honors Convocation is May 21st
 - 4. Graduation at O'Rena at OU at 2:30pm and All Night Party is May 31st
 - iii. Spring sports - Inaugural night for boys volleyball. It's a club sport for now but is a new MHSAA sport.
 - iv. AP exams have been taking place and going well.
 - v. Many clubs doing very well this year.
 - vi. Today staff worked with Positive You organization. Kenny Spear is the gentleman from the organization leading it.
 - vii. AFU-Next Tuesday at 6pm.
- c. Teacher Representative - Mr. Bear (Attended in place of Mr. DuFresne)
 - i. GBBE-Hatch of the year, over 30 and counting. They will be sent to the farmer.
 - ii. Want to recognize the PTO/Volunteers for Staff Appreciation.
- d. Secretary
 - i. Previous Meeting Minutes - Approved by Christine Wigman & Seconded by Laura Saleski
- e. Treasurer
 - i. Staff Grants paid-\$798
 - ii. \$250-Senior All Night Party
 - iii. Costs \$2036 spent on Staff Appreciation
 - iv. \$250 Senior Picnic
 - v. Funds leftover so we were able to support 2 students that Qualified for DECA nationals \$150 each, Ms. Voght battle of books \$400, Volleyball Club had a request but asked to hold funds until next year.
 - vi. Will post the final budget sheet on the website.
- f. Vice President
 - i. Bylaws need to be updated.
- g. President
 - i. New PTO Board Members for 2025-2026 year
 - 1. Christine Wigman-Co-Vice President-Junior & Freshman students
 - 2. Angela Whitmore-Co-Vice President- Freshman student
 - 3. Erin Lilly-Treasurer-Incoming Freshman and 5th grader
 - 4. Judy Bunao-Secretary-Mom of 3- Senior, Freshman and 2nd grader

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- ii. Staff Appreciation-Laura Saleski. Love the teachers and the staff and ability to show them. Amazing parent support to make it happen we greatly appreciate their support and would not have been able to do it without them.
 - 1. Mr. Kabob Express was amazing and gave us great deals. Benitos offered coupons. Firebird gave gift cards. City BBQ gave gift cards.
- iii. Student Appreciation-Cookies & Ice Cream to all the students. Extra Cookies to Staff appreciation and Extra ice cream to Senior All Night Party.Maybe less options and less overall next year due to extras.
- 4. Open Discussion
 - a. Communication Restructure-Will look into restructuring email to one for PTO.
- 5. Committees and Chairs - see chart below
- 6. Adjournment - 8:14pm

Committee / Event	Committee / Event Chairperson (s)	Board Point of Contact	Approximate Timing
Restaurant Nights	Michele Murto	Nancy Davis	Monthly/Quarterly
Fall Conference Staff Dinner	Beth Mccarthy	Bidisha Goswami	October
Giving Tree	Janet Matichuk	Nancy Davis	TBD
Staff Appreciation Week	Laura Saleski	Sam Irani	April/May
Student Appreciation Event	Gretchen Morelli, Michele Murto, Connie Ciak	Bidisha Goswami / Sam Irani	April
Supply Drive	TBD	All	January
TFEE Basket	Lisa Peak	Janice Rae	May
Charity Week Carnival Booth	Gretchen Morelli, Connie Ciak	Lisa Yaldo	February
Financial Review Committee	Jyl Boehms	Janice Rae	June/July

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