

JHS PTO Meeting

April 1, 2021

Members Present: Staci Randall, Tracy Walker, Tracy Mertes, Andrea Gallimore, Tammie Pallwitz

Meeting called to order by President Staci Randall at 7:02 pm

Welcome – President

Two volunteers for next year: Denice Ostrander, conference meals and Tammy Dial, staff appreciation

Update on JHS – Report from Principal Woods as read by Staci Randall

- We are in the midst of hiring season. We have hired 8 new teachers for next year. Currently, we have one more opening to fill. It's been a lot of Zoom interviews. He feels really good about the new folks we are bringing on board for next year.
- Spring activities are up and running. Lots going on – but at least it's mostly outdoors.
- A large portion of our staff has received their COVID vaccinations.
- ISASP testing will be the week of April 19-23. Seniors will have a late arrival each day that week as they do not test.
- We will give the Conditions of Learning survey to all students on April 15. This is a survey that asks questions about the school culture. We use this data to create one of our Continuous Improvement Goals each year.
- Graduation has been confirmed. We will have commencement at the stadium. We moved the date to May 23 at 4 PM. Drake was unable to accommodate our needs so we had to do some shuffling in order to have a date and a rain date. It does cause a few issues for folks but we think it is the best possible solution based on the choices we had.
- Prom is May 1. It will be a fairly traditional Prom in a condensed version. Masks must be worn. After Prom is working to make sure games and activities will be safe.

Secretary Report – Minutes from February 4, 2021 meeting

- Minutes reviewed by Tracy Mertes
- Motion to approve by Tracy Walker
- Second by Staci Randall
- Motion carried and minutes approved

Treasurer Report

- Monthly Treasurer report reviewed by Tracy Walker
- We received \$205 from the Spring Sale
- Will there be a Senior Sale?
- Broken Arrow initiated this last year
- Last year the district bought Senior signs, will we do that this year? Chelsey doesn't think the district will pay for them; we could do it and she will look into it; need to ask Mr. Woods
- Teacher Grant Approval: Mr. Fitzpatrick got \$500 for speech and debate team registration
- \$250 from a parent and that was matched by an employer

- Grant was approved
 - Motion to approve by Staci Randall
 - Second by Tracy Mertes
 - Motion carried and approved

Old Business/ Committee Reports

- Valentine's Cookies
 - Went great and there were six iced cookies in a box; had a gluten free option
 - Andrea didn't hear back from anyone personally
 - Would recommend doing bars
- Staff Appreciation Report – Mailbox Treats - Tracy Mertes
 - February - Johnston logo on hand sanitizer with clip
 - March - JHS Superhero coasters
 - April - Seed packets
 - May - Staff Appreciation Week May 3-7
 - Thank you candy
 - Mug with treats
 - Daily messages
- Staff Appreciation Spring Conference Meal - Staci Randall
 - Ordered 79 meals from Nutrition Services and they did 85
 - There were a few no shows and were able to feed all seven custodians
 - Baked potato meal
 - 4 sides of butter, sour cream, ham, side salad, cookie
 - Parents donated drinks; leftover drinks; recommend passing them out on an early out Wednesday
 - Next Fall will do Texas Roadhouse for conference meal donation
 - Denise put in the request
- Principal Discretionary Fund
 - \$1,000 this year
 - Still TBD about what he would like to do
 - Food trucks will be allowed but need to be approved
 - Teachers may need to social distance while eating
- PTO Website/Facebook/Twitter – Staci Randall
 - Staci will update the website with the minutes

New Business

- Officer Elections
 - No firm officer commitments at this point
 - JMS PTO Treasurer may be interested in VP
 - Tammie Pallwitz is considering Secretary

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Tracy Mertes
- Second by Andrea Gallimore
- Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.
- Next meeting May 6, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Mertes, Secretary