**DRAFT JHS PTO Meeting**

**October 3, 2019**

**Members Present:** Suzanne Ritchie, Marty Dolde, Tracy Walker, Tracy Mertes, Marcie Simons, Staci Randall, Andrea Gallimore, Principal Woods

Meeting called to order by President Suzanne Ritchie at 7:03 pm

**Welcome** – President

* Introductions

**Update on JHS** – Principal Woods

* Homecoming week recap
* Meeting with Student Council about ideas and potential changes
* Record numbers of participation for students – more than 1400 kids at the dance (last year was about 1200 kids)
* Record number of girls who wanted to play Powder Puff
* A lot of post season athletic activities
* First-ever all-school Veterans Day assembly on Nov. 11; previously had done classroom activities
	+ Goal is to better support military kids
	+ Working on getting a speaker from Camp Dodge
	+ Band and choir will do some things during the assembly
	+ Looking at Livestreaming the assembly
* Question: New grading link went to a flyer for a meeting that already happened; teachers are posting nothing, teachers are posting everything, and there are areas of no activity
	+ Teachers can no longer grade homework
	+ No extra credit
	+ Idea is that your grade will reflect what you know and what you can do
	+ The grade book was set up by the central office vs. teachers setting up their own categories
		- Skills Practice (tracked but not graded)
		- Skills Assessments/Tests
	+ Mr. Woods will look into how updates are being made and what parents are able to view in the Campus app
	+ More communication should come soon to parents

**Secretary Report** – Minutes from September 5, 2019 meeting

* September minutes reviewed
* Motion to approve September minutes by Staci Randall with change noted
* Second by Marcie Simons
* Motion carried

 **Treasurer Report**

* Tracy reviewed the treasurer’s report
* Motion to approve the Treasurer’s report by Tracy Mertes
* Second by Staci Randall
* Motion carried

**Old Business/ Committee Reports**

* Fall Conference Meal and Snack Trolley – Andrea Gallimore
	+ Andrea emailed the three volunteers who signed up about dates and what was planned for the year, but hasn’t heard back
	+ Will set up a Sign Up Genius for parents
		- Cash donations, drinks and dessert requests
			* Asking for donations to provide an option for parents to provide an item vs. money if that is their preference
		- Will set up a separate Sign Up Genius for the different days
	+ Will get students to assist for Silver Cord hours
	+ Most economical is cafeteria services for lasagna and salad
		- Liz requested increasing the amount of salad
	+ Andrea has reserved the Commons and is working with the cafeteria staff on the meal details
* Staff Appreciation Report – September Mailbox Treat
	+ Let’s Roll Over the Competition (purple Hershey Kisses and gold Rolos)
* Teacher Grant Reports
	+ Tracy Walker prepared the grant form
	+ We have $3000 to spend
	+ Liz will send the link out Monday, Oct. 7 to staff
	+ Due date is Oct. 21 by midnight
	+ Will review with Principal Woods Nov. 7
	+ The board will discuss between Oct. 24 and the PTO meeting
* Apparel Sales
	+ JHS received $1496.67 from the apparel sales
	+ We are down 13% from last year
	+ Overall the schools are up
	+ Where does the money get designated if you don’t pick a school in the free shipping area?
		- Suzanne will check with Chelsey
	+ Will do another Spirit Wear sale before Christmas (around conference time)
		- PJ Pants
		- Joggers
		- Stocking caps
		- Hoodies
		- Johnston Strong
		- Fleece
		- Scarves
		- Mittens/Gloves
	+ Suzanne will ask if there is a way to add a drop down for what school to designate upon checkout
* Staff Cookie Walk
	+ Staci Randall will manage for this year
	+ Date is TBD (likely a Monday or Tuesday)
	+ Staci will coordinate with the people who signed up to help
* PTO Website
	+ Up-to-date
	+ Can edit the mobile site
	+ Mobile site doesn’t have the Amazon Charity Link List
	+ Staci will check with Liz on what supplies are needed
		- Kleenex and hand sanitizer pumps are needed

**New Business**

* No new business

**Adjournment**

* Motion to adjourn by Tracy Mertes
* Second by Andrea Gallimore
* Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Tracy Mertes, Secretary*