

JHS PTO Meeting May 2, 2019

Members Present: Suzanne Ritchie, Chris Ditter, Tracy Walker, Jen Slagle, Tracy Mertes, Staci Randall, Marty Dolde, Andrea Gallimore, Principal Woods

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

Welcome - President

Update on JHS - Principal Woods

- Prom is this weekend
 - Officer will make face contact with every student that comes in at after prom
- Winding down spring activities
- Next week is the district track meet at JHS
- Summer sports are starting; baseball is practicing without a field; will be ready for first home game—at same location at the old high school; softball will still play some games at old field; May 20 baseball field will be done; June 3 softball field will be done
- Assessments finished today
- Graduation at Drake is coming up
- Will be meeting with senior speakers
- Hired new associate principal and some new teachers; new jobs have been posted
- Scheduled two meetings for parents to come in and learn (6-12 grades) about the new grading system.
- Next year JHS will get all new iPads
- It was asked if it is possible to get all teachers to use the same planner. Many use Moodle for the most part but parents do not have access to it. Mr. Woods will check with IT. They use Showbie as workflow but teachers do use a variety of miscellaneous tools.
- Next year state assessments will be digital; right now they do not work well with the iPads. JHS and Waukee are ones who continue to do paper assessments.
- Speed bumps installed because it was no longer safe for students and staff. Also, added dragons to roundabouts.
- Breakfast-let us know if we can help set up etc.

Secretary Report - Minutes from April 4, 2019 meeting

- April minutes reviewed
- Motion to approve February minutes by Jen Slagle
- Second by Tracy Walker
- Motion carried

Treasurer Report

- Tracy reviewed the treasurer's report
- Amazon Smile will not make goal
- Expenses left is Mr. Woods \$500; what is he going to do; wants to do a breakfast on June 5 which is last day for teachers; PTO can help if he would like us to; wouldn't have kitchen staff and custodians since school is out
- Price Chopper will be a little over \$200; \$120 is what we will have left over of the \$333.48 from the staff appreciation budget

- Who gets all the PTO dues? PTO gets all of it minus the processing fees; it may be better to pay via check or cash as Revtrak charges fees
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Staci Randall
- Second by Tracy Mertes
- Motion carried

Old Business/ Committee Reports

Staff Appreciation Report

- April Mailbox Treat
 - April—fruit snacks with note “Spring is popping. Here is a treat to keep you hopping.”
- May treat is granola bar, pretzels, hard candy, fruit snacks, chocolates saying ‘Finals survival snacks. Have a Fantastic Summer!’ Will put in mailboxes on first day of finals.
- Staff Appreciation Week-Tracy Mertes
 - Everything is set; Price Chopper is coming Monday; daily treats; Friday people will bring cookies and bars
- Teachers survey-asked Mr. Woods if we should do one? He said difficult to get them to do it.
 - Cookie walk was a hit; everything that PTO has done has been super positive and very well received
 - Only concern was when we did oranges
 - At the end of the discussion, it was decided we would not do a survey

New Business

- Officer Elections
 - President—Suzanne Ritchie
 - Vice President—Staci Randall
 - Secretary—Tracy Mertes
 - Treasurer—Tracy Walker
- Motion made by Jen Slagle
- Second by Andrea Gallimore
- Motion carried

Chris and Jen were presented with gifts of appreciation for their last meeting as officers on the first ever JHS PTO board.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Jen Slagle
- Second by Chris Ditter
- Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm

Assemble Teacher Appreciation treats

Assemble May Mailbox Treats

Respectfully submitted by Chris Ditter, Secretary