

PCHS PTO GENERAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 16, 2016  
MINUTES

Attendees: Kathi Ehlers, Julianne Rosen Carone, Julia Pares, Pam Woll, Ericha Oberg, Ana Cruz, Ben Ling, Bob O'Connor, Amy Cutt, Kaz Burnz, Molly Miller

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Approved 10/16 Meeting Minutes
3. Financials – not discussed; waiting on receipts so not updated and Jo not present;
4. Student Council Update– Ana Cruz

Zombie night raised \$500, matching grant raised \$1000 for senior center and \_\_\_\_  
Basketball started – this is the first year cuts had to be made  
Football won first playoff game since 2009  
Starting store at school – Spirit Wear, sweatshirts, beanies  
Pop up pantry in library – essentials for students in need  
Purchased new Miner Mascot costume, it will be unveiled at Talent Show on Dec. 15, tryouts Dec. 5 and 6;  
Winter Formal Feb. 11 at the Yard;  
Prom May 6 at DV;  
Toy Drive to be organized for kids at Primary Children's;  
Partner with NHS to make blankets for children at Primary Children's;  
Student Council and LIA – ally with LIA to make school a safer place;  
Girls Lax fundraiser Café Zupa last night;  
LIA Senior night – help with FAFSA

5. Principals Report – Bob O'Connor
  - a. Discussion of AP classes and weighted grades.
  - b. Discussion of late start implementation. Board voted for a late start, want it implemented by next year.
    - concerns are athletes missing school
    - concern by UDOT and City that certain intersections will fail during peak rush hour time – traffic coming and going will be difficult
    - propose zero hour 7:30
    - wait until grade level alignment?
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6. 17/18 Membership - - Discussion of whether we should use efunds next year.
  - efunds is a perpetual problem, won't be fixed by next year
  - 33% went through efunds
  - PTSO up membership fees to cover fees

- Decision and vote to raise PTSO fees to \$35 to put more money into grants.
- Decision to stay with efunds process for next year.

7. Discussion with Molly Miller, Communications Specialists for PCSD
  - late start: they want to make zero hour an option vs. the only time you can take a class
  - start time for elementary can't be before 7:50 am
  - school start times must be 60 minutes apart to accommodate bus times
  - Hired a transportation consultant to do bus studies (cost \$30-40K)
  - Board seemed open to make sure we take the time to do this right
  - Administration does support changing start times along with the alignment
  - 75% of students are involved in after school sports

**Email board members re: opposition to late start times with copy to Molly Miller**  
[mmiller@pcschoools.us](mailto:mmiller@pcschoools.us); 435.659.7078

**Steps of Action:**

- Reach out to the Board, copy Molly and Dr. Conley**
- info will be presented to the Task Force**

Questions to be addressed by task force:

Are bus routes appropriate? Routes are state mandated?

How do kids get transportation if parents are working?

Latch key kids alone longer

High School Expansion Meetings:

12/13 (District Office 6-8 pm)

1/11 (Ecker 6-8 pm),

2/7 (PC Lecture Hall 6-8 pm)

-review all 3 expansion options, adjustments will be made based upon feedback from the community

Dec. 6 website presented to Board, goes live Dec. 7, all 3 options will be on website

-give feedback at the meetings

Lunch & Learn: 12 pm today, underage drinking and drugs

Jeans & Lattes – every Friday at Hugo 8:30 – 9:30 am, meet with Dr. Conley

8. Mini-Grants –Amy Cutt
  - 5 bicycle pedals used during class are a huge hit, kids are rushing to class
9. Committee Reports:
  - Eblast: none

PCEF Liaison – wrap up meeting Nov. 28, PCHS doing well; our PTSO gets \$1000 for having an ambassador (we've gotten it this year); \$500 for gala participation and \$1000 for parent appeal;

Next gala: 9/16/17; Teacher grant: \$75,000 committee is meeting tomorrow

Staff Appreciation – no update

Finals Week – went smoothly

Honor Roll – went ok except for sign-up genius; it was yesterday; an announcement would be helpful, ask Student Council to mention it during announcements

Grad Night – Shelley Marshall agreed to do Grad Night; they've set up a google drive:

PCHS Grad Night

Docudrama – no updates

A/P Testing – Ericha will be chair;

10. School Community Counsel Update: Julianne

– funded \$20,000 to hire someone to be a D&F trackers; this person will meet with the student

-voted to go from 2% allocation to 4% allocation (in recent election)

-spent another \$15,000 to send teachers for professional training, 5 have gone so far; going to do more blended learning classes next year; assists with learning at your own pace; this will be an optional class

-budget was approved

11. Other Business:

Sweetheart Gala – Feb. 10 at St. Mary's Church, adult party, Jazz Band plays

Tickets on sale: [www.pcbands.net](http://www.pcbands.net)

\$60/seat

\$75 premium seats next to dance floor

This event sells out

Holiday boutique at St. Mary's craft show this weekend - band will sell tickets