

PCHS PTSO GENERAL MEETING
May 22, 2018

MINUTES

Attendees: Kathi Ehlers, Ericha Oberg, Kaz Burnz, Lezlie Sherry, Amy Cutt,
Ben Ling, Pat Powers, Jennifer Dvoranchik, Dr. Kathy Einhorn, Caleb Fine,
Phyllis Suggett, Laurie _____

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. April 17, 2018 meeting minutes approved.

3. Principal's Report – Dr. Kathy Einhorn, Caleb Fine, Phyllis Suggett

- a. Lengthy discussion re: Homeroom and Late Start Mondays
 - i. Plan: school will start at 9:35 am on Mondays
 - ii. Plan: Homeroom will be a 35-minute period from 10:35 – 11:10 am on Mondays
- b. TMJH and PCHS must be on the same schedule
- c. Late start will give teachers additional time for Professional Development from 7 am to 9:35 am on Mondays
 - i. Teachers currently only have 1-hour PD / week vs. other schools (elementary, Ecker) that have 2.5 hours PD / week
 - ii. Late start will result in loss of 1 class period per class per year
 - iii. Although losing classroom instruction time due to late start, we will continue to exceed state required instructional requirements: State 990 minutes, PC: 1017 minutes; 396 minutes are lost over year / course
- d. Homeroom: Students wanted homeroom, idea was presented by students; also, Social Emotional Learning state requirement; outside consultant recommended it
 - i. YouSchool curriculum will be used
 - ii. HR will be about 20 students max
 - iii. Different topics will be presented each week
 - Teachers will share a story, students may also be asked to share or to journal

- Teachers will decide journaling or sharing
- iv. Some days the counseling team will present the topics (Intervention or Academic)
- v. Plan of assessment: regular input from teachers and students to assess structure and how meaningful it is
 - They will have surveys throughout to assess how program is doing
- vi. They've received mixed feedback re: change of teacher plan. Students are working on this.
- vii. Question raised? Will students stay with same teacher and kids all 3 years or will it change?
- viii. YouSchool can also host Parent Nights to discuss skills for parents to follow-up with their students: cost is \$1000 for them to come
- ix. A link to resources can also be put on school webpage
- x. Discussion of switching late start to early release on Fridays and changing elementary and Ecker to late start
 - Many students in high school are already missing Fridays due to sporting events and other activities
 - Friday is the most missed day by both teachers and students
- xi. New principal has been involved in the discussions
- xii. Discussion re: communication of plan: email to parents did not go out so parents heard of plan either through their students, or other parents, which resulted in a lot of confusion.
- xiii. Next steps: The Principals are discussing plan with Interim Superintendent and he will take it to the School Board for a vote
 - If you feel strongly either way, email the School Board

4. Student Council Updates – none

5. Finance Report

- a. 501(3)(c) update: we were separated at the same time as the Booster Club, we have the affirmation, but it was not worded properly.

- i. Lezlie is sending letter to IRS to clear up name issue, Belinda Adams from District PTO is co-signing letter
- ii. Current Financials - \$2900 left over
- iii. Docudrama – Heidi may want to do a new internet video next year and has asked PTSO to pay for it. Keep additional \$1000 in budget in case she needs money next year.
- iv. Registration – School Board is considering not charging fees next year, which will be problematic for PTSO because that is how we charge for membership through efunds.
 - i. We may need to set up PayPal account and send out membership info

6. Committee Reports

- a. Mini Grants
 - i. Lezlie has followed up on mini grants
- b. Email Blast
 - i. We still need someone to do the newsletter next year
 - Ben will train Ericha
- c. PCEF Liaison
 - i. Cathy Lanigan and Lezlie Sherry to be liaisons next year;
 - ii. Big Apple Gala – volunteer list not filling up
 - iii. RWE – May 19
 - Over 150 school district employees participated
 - \$250,000+ expected to have been raised
 - Vail is 5-year sponsor and gave money to schools for participation:
 - a. Jeremy \$5k
 - b. Other schools \$3k
- d. Staff Appreciation – according to Caleb Fine, this week was best
 - i. Monday: raffle: there was something for all teachers
 - ii. Tuesday: Jersey Mike Subs bought by PTSO and chips and drinks donated by parents
 - iii. Wednesday: handwritten thank you notes from PTSO and chocolates from StuCo
 - iv. Thursday: Deer Valley and EATS donated DV chili to all schools for all staff
 - Parents also donated numerous pasta dishes and salads

- v. Friday: Ericha purchased pastry boxes and parents donated dessert items, each staff member was able to bring home treats.
- e. Finals Week – n/a
- f. Honor Roll – n/a
- g. Grad Night: raised \$17k so far
 - i. Co-chair for next year: Katherine Soloman will do timeline management but does not want to fund raise
 - ii. Need fundraiser – Ericha said she will do it if we can't find someone. Hoping a sophomore parent will step-up
- h. Docudrama – Heidi Hewitt
 - i. Tomorrow May 23
- i. A/P Testing
 - i. Order less snacks next year: had 6 boxes of Rice Krispy treats and 8 boxes of fruit snacks left over. These will be donated to Grad Night.
 - ii. Discussion of TMJH doing their own AP snacks next year.

7. School Community Council Update – none

8. District PTO / School Board Updates

- a. District PTO is not dissolving, it will continue to meet quarterly, meeting dates are posted on webpage under “Community:
- b. Meetings will be at different schools
- c. Superintendent and Melinda plan to attend

9. Other Business / Comments

- a. Confirmation of next year's Board:
 - i. President – Ericha Oberg
 - ii. Vice President – Kaz Burnz
 - iii. Secretary – Kathi Ehlers
 - iv. Treasurer – Lezlie Sherry
 - v. Mini Grants – Amy Cutt
- b. Meetings will continue to be held on 3rd Tuesday of month, 8 a.m.
Meeting adjourned.
- c. Graduation: discussions of VIP tickets, volunteering at graduation

- d. Registration: Carolee Polvere is moving to TMJH so there will be a new tech person at the high school.

Meeting Adjourned.