

PTSO Board Meeting
August 27, 2015

Start: 8:20

Present: Shaunte Deas-Banks, Lori Halligan, Amy O'Kelley, Jennifer Hay, Martha Cummings, Lewis Blessing, Polly Yearty

Absent: None

Budget report: Lori

Lori presented a spreadsheet detailing the account balance as of August 27, 2015. Beginning balance on 7/1/15 was \$16,477.15. Current balance is \$19,969.31. Pizza expenses for sales will be deducted, but sales will be added.

Volunteer report: Amy

We are in desperate need of a coordinator. Until one is found, Amy is handling this position as well. Please recruit for this job. One is needed by 9/3 for county training, or we are unable to get username/password for volunteer requests sent out to school. Pizza sales will be held 8/28. Health screening volunteers needed, about 3-4 per half day shifts. A schoolwide request will be sent.

Until coordinator found, committee heads will be point of contact for volunteers, and will continue to assist until new coordinator is acclimated to position and its responsibilities.

Patrons report: Jennifer

Total amount collected so far is \$5,521. Eleven second row graduation seats have been sold. Bags for patrons will be distributed once all supplies are available. Listserv announcements will be sent also once all supplies are finished and stocked. Jenn will track donations outward by keeping list to give to Shaunte' who will maintain spirit sale item inventory. Cups will be ordered and take a couple of weeks. David Farran of Specialty Sports is also a vendor to consider for items as suggested by Mr. Blessing. Next year, it was suggested that patron items be determined ahead of the school year so supplies would be in stock and ready to distribute once program is introduced.

Box Tops: Amy

Kristy Newland will be coordinator this year. She will handle student recognition and offer student incentives. There are leftover coupons from Texas Roadhouse available, if she wants them.

Principals Report: Mr. Blessing

The first two weeks of school have been going well. The new building is underway, and they have been busy re-doing the boilers. Mr. Lynch has moved his hydroponics and chickens away from the construction zone. There is a plan for the FSA Validity Study to be received by 9/1, student scores by October and school grades by December, if all goes well. EOC went well and school had a 100% passing ratio for Algebra and Biology.

Communication with Parents:

Listserv's have to be to Mr. Blessing by Thursday morning for Friday distribution. Amy would need them by Wednesday morning for review before forwarding. Mrs. Ward can send some if needed for immediate distribution.

Student Recognition:

Christi Smith and Jackie Newland have agreed to handle this for the year. Paige, past coordinator, has left notes and principal will notify PTSO once reports are completed to determine which students qualify for the rewards. District prepares the report; PTSO provides the treats.

Tshirt decision:

Costs of new shirts by Clothesline (10% Business Partner discount) were presented at \$7/shirt for 50. Prices would change if order is larger. No duplicate set up costs incurred for replacement order. Staff would have opportunity to custom order at discount of \$12 vs. \$15.

It was decided that Teacher Patron program would be offered for \$30 donation, including free shirt. This would also include opportunity to be entered into raffle for free dinner and two movie tickets. Or, staff could order shirt for \$15 and opt out of gifts.

Shirts would be offered in two colors: gray with maroon art, maroon shirt with white art. Artwork would be revised to size down Mustang.

Shirt order size to be determined for best cost and in quantity not to create large inventory.

Open Discussion:

Mega Yard sale was decided not to return because it was Linda Thabes idea, and no one has stepped up to chair and coordinate event.

Silent Auction was discussed and thoughts were to perhaps combine it with another event. A format change to the evening was also suggested, such as shortening the talent portion. No decision was made and not sure if there is a committee person for this event yet.

School store was discussed. Opening the store on a weekly basis was mentioned, but items to sell were discussed, such as pencils, picture frames, etc. No decision was made.

8th grade Field Day was brought up because it was thought PTSO staffed event with volunteers and money, as well as hosted event. There was confusion about this between staff organizer and board. Follow up was needed. Last year, it was said that \$500 was donated to the field day and date of event mentioned of 11/20/15 was not known to Mr. Blessing.

Upcoming Dates:

Health Screening: 9/29 in Media Center

Concession Sales hosted by PTSO: 9/9, 10/26, 1/20/16

Open House: 9/17 and Volunteers needed for Spirit Sales

Next Board meeting: 9/10, Thursday

Pizza sale dates:

9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 1/22, 2/19, 3/4, 4/8

Meeting concluded: 9:25