**Attendees:**

Christy Worley *Co-PTO President/Chair*

Kelly O’Rourke *Co-PTO President/Chair*

Angie Durbin *Treasurer*

Joe Burgess *Principal*

Nicky Miller

Jessica Oyster

Jenny Carter

Lillie Thomas

Melinda Lanigan

Penney Baughman

Stephanie Hart

Kristi Hill

Amy O’Kelley

Adil Attari

Laurie Arnaldo

Sabah Bissainthe

Janis Edwards

**WELCOME & PLEDGE—** Christy Worley

* Christy Worley called to order at 12:06 PM and welcomed all attendees. She requested that Penney take notes for the minutes as the Secretary position was open. Ms. Miller led the pledge.

**MINUTES & HANDOUTS—** Christy Worley

* The December 2021 PTO Meeting Minutes were presented and approved with one grammatical correction. Angie Durbin made the motion to approve, Penney Baughman seconded the motion, and they were approved.
* Digital material included: PTO Agenda, PTO Minutes from the December 2021 meeting, and current updated PTO Financial Ledger.

**TREASURER’S REPORT—**Angie Durbin

* Total amount of $2180 was spent in December. $980.00 for the teacher/staff holiday luncheon and $1200 on grounds and facilities (details for those expenses under the grounds and facilities report)
* Lillie Thomas made the motion to approve the report and it was seconded by Jenny Carter. The budget was approved by unanimous vote.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT—** Principal Joe Burgess

* Mr. Burgess went over the assemblies recently held. He noted that some students had never met the faculty/staff due to the COVID changes with the indoor orientations, assemblies, etc. He said it was beneficial to present them with information they may not have heard before. He also went over the mental health training, social media discussions, human trafficking discussions and suicide prevention.
* He encouraged the PTO to reach out the Deerlake/Montford and get incoming parents involved with the PTO.
* He noted there would be a curriculum fair this year and an 8th grade parent night.
* Mr. Burgess answered a question about COVID notifications stating that his emails won’t come out anymore. The only email would be a classroom notification as applicable and no action required.

**Parent Liaison Report –** Jessica Oyster

* Nothing to report

**SAC Update –** Penney Baughman

* There was no report due to no meeting last month.
* Next SAC meeting is January 25, 2022, at 6PM at Chiles High School; and will be longer than normal due to the course progression review and approval.
* The SAC representative position will be open next year. Lillie Thomas has expressed interest.

**SGA Update –** Christy Worley

* Free ACT for Juniors is in March. More information to come.
* Looking for a new SGA rep for PTO meetings.

**Committee Reports**

**BUSINESS PARTNERS—** Christy Worley for Adil Attari

* Nothing new to report
* The Business Partners committee leader position will be open next year. Christy has someone interested and will meet with Adil to go over the details.

**FUNDRAISING—** Christy Worley for Michele Reynolds

* The Brick Fundraiser is moving forward. Bricks for 2021 and 2022 Seniors will be out in July. These are currently being promoted and will be at the Grad Bash, Curriculum fair and the senior website.
* Texas Roadhouse Rolls will be sold in April. Working with the new contact there to get this started.
* The Wolf Dash will be back in April 9, 2022, and help will be needed to successfully conduct the event. More information will be given in the future. The PTO has funds in the budget to assist.

**GROUNDS AND FACILITIES**—Janis Edwards

* Janis gave an update on the Rotunda. Benches are in place as well as the sod and mulch. She noted that the $1200 was for Mack Brothers to remove the old sod, replace the palm and for labor. The board and entire group thanked her for the work she and her husband and family did. The group commented on how nice the rotunda looks. Janis noted that the final pieces were painting and finishing the planter. She said Mr. Murray is getting the paint and she will schedule a time to do that. Amy and Jenny commented on how nice the area is and that it got a lot of use during the Cheerleading event the weekend prior. front of the gym power washed. She’s hoping to finish everything over the winter break.
* Janis again thanked Adil’s son Omar and asked that Adil have Omar take a photo is his eagle scout uniform with the gift Janis got him, so it could be promoted on our social media. Adil said he would have Omar do that in the coming weeks.
* Landscaping for the rotunda planter will be done in the spring.
* The Big Event in spring will focus on the front of the school and the IRC.
* The board expressed gratitude to Janis for her years of work on this and gifted her and her husband a gift card. Gift donated from board members.

**SOCIAL MEDIA-** Amy O’Kelley

* Amy went over recent postings and reminded the group to continue to “comment” and “like” posts as they affect the popularity of our page.

**STUDENT ENCOURAGEMENT**—Erika Brenneman/Kristi Hill

* Erika, Kristi and Jenny discussed the upcoming luncheon. Subway sandwiches will be served with cookies and drinks.
* They went over the need for counselor tables sorted by grade and then alphabetically.
* They went over the need for volunteers and will send out a request on Group me in the coming days.

**TEACHER APPRECIATION –**Stephanie Hart/Laurie Arnoldo

* Stephanie Hart went over the success of the holiday luncheon. There were plenty of gift cards for everyone and also some left over. The luncheon was great, everyone loved the catering from Connie’s.
* Next event is the Valentine’s breakfast in the mailroom. More info and signups coming soon.
* Stephanie thanked everyone for their help and noted that Erin Pomeroy and Johnna Wilcox are training to take over this role for next year.

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR –**Jenny Carter

* Jenny said she has the google doc forms ready to collect volunteer hours and that those would go out to the PTO, Sasha and Eto for Sports, Nicky for club hours, etc.
* Jenny said the county meeting was held in December.
* She said volunteer hours are now only due annually, but she was going to continue with the twice a year method as it is hard for people to remember hours from that far back.
* She said the volunteer awards are back on for 2022. Adult, Mentor, Youth and Senior volunteer awards will be given out at the Night of Celebration. The event will be a drive thru event on 5/2.

**ADJOURNMENT**- Christy Worley

* Motion to adjourn at 1:11pm made by Amy O’Kelley, second by Kelly O’Rourke.
* Next meeting will be on Monday, February 7, at 12PM both at Chiles High School and on Zoom.