

PTSO Meeting Minutes April 15, 2021

Attendees via Zoom

Neera Bhatia, Michelle Ritchie, Mary Warden, Molli Hamilton, Kimberly Greene, Ted Stewart, Tiffany Gillen, Jessica Eades, Samantha Young, Erica Diaz, Stevie Gray, and Debbie Mulhall

Call to Order by Michelle Ritchie

Secretary Report – the Minutes from February 2021 meeting were shared with the committee via Zoom.

Approval of Minutes: Michelle Ritchie made a motion to approve minutes as written. Neera Bhatia seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approval of agenda Deb Mulhall made a motion to approve the agenda and Tiffany Gillen seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Old Business –

Fundraising Campaign: Molli Hamilton reported that we are continuing to get checks in the mail. So far we have collected \$4075 in donations.

PTSO dues: Michelle reminded the committee that members need to pay \$ 5.00 to be a voting member. Members can send money to Kendryn McDonough.

[Paypal: keni619@AOL.com](mailto:keni619@AOL.com)

Venmo: @kendryn-mcdonough

Zelle: 3046846158

Outreach to incoming Freshman parents: The committee decided to have Mrs. Greene help distribute an email to the parents of freshman and other students in July encouraging parents to join PTSO.

Step up day: Mrs. Greene reported that they will not be having it. They hope to have an orientation day and PTSO can give flyers to students at this time.

Senior class activities: Mrs. Ernstes said that she has received all of the needed donations for the Senior breakfast and senior picnic.

She needs two volunteers to pick up chicken nuggets and pretzels. Neera Bhatia and Tiffany Gillen volunteered to help.

PTSO officer positions for 2021-22 school year:

President: Nominee Debbie Mulhall

Vice President- Molli Hamilton offered to stay in her position

Secretary- Mary Warden offered to stay in her position

Treasurer: Kendryn McDonough was not on the zoom call but she had offered to stay in her position

All voted in favor for the officers listed above.

Next meeting will be set up for early September. Tentative date Sept 2, 2021.

New Business

Senior Class Activities:

Gift Ideas for PROM/ Senior Dinner: planned for April 24th

Molli Hamilton made several suggestions for gifts: TVs, Yeti cooler, airpods, gift cards, Keurig, perhaps themed baskets

Jessica Eades and Samantha Young are the teachers in charge of the Senior dinner which will be held at Erickson Center. It will start at 7 PM with a promenade that will be livestreamed.

Dinner will be provided. An hour of fun activities (Minute to win It, senior slide show, other games, raffles), and a sparkler sendoff outside.

The school is hoping for 7 to 10 gift prizes.

The PTSO officers had already decided that PTSO would donate \$2000 toward gifts for the senior dinner. Mrs. Greene will find out how to donate these funds.

Gift ideas for Seniors- last year we gave \$10 gift cards to all of the seniors. Graduation will be May 21st. Current number of expected graduates is around 300. Michelle Ritchie suggested purchasing 2021 ornaments for all of the graduates. Everyone at the meeting agreed with the idea. Michelle will plan to submit the order.

PTSO Committee Reports

Lucy's Dreamweavers: Neera did not have any updates.

Staff Appreciation: Debbie asked for approval for teacher appreciation. She wants to ask for parents to donate prizes for teachers (such as gift cards) for drawings during the week. Then have PTSO pay for the food. Mr. Steward suggested the Sip station- a mobile truck that comes to the school. Jessica Eades made a comment that mornings are a busy time for the teachers and would be a difficult time for a sit down breakfast. She also suggested Texas Roadhouse coupons are a big hit. Teacher Appreciation week is May 3 – 7th. The food has to be prepackaged. Debbie will plan to organize several different meals for the teacher throughout the week.

Beautification/Environmental: Mrs. Greene did not have any needs for beautification around the school. She will check with Mrs. Farley if PTSO should organize a group for trash pickup on Bakers Ridge Road.

Fundraising: Discussed above.

Senior Class Activities: Discussed above.

Student Recognition: No updates

Public Relations/Communications: Charmin Lerfald continues to post PTSO information on social media. She was not present on the Zoom meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Kendryn was not present for the meeting but she reported the following information via email:

PTSO: \$27,769.96

After - Prom: \$9,822.27

Donations - \$4,075

Starting in April 2021 receipts will be issued for all purchases and a new recording system will be initiated.

Debbie Mulhall motioned to accept the treasure report and Neera Bhatia seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Student Report Elizabeth Warner was not on the Zoom meeting.

Administration Report:

Most students completed the schedule request form.

Senior memos were sent out and caps and gowns were given out.

SAT was given to all of the juniors.

Close Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 7:41. Mary Warden motioned to adjourn the meeting and Neera Bhatia seconded the motion.

The next UHS PTSO MEETING: Tentatively Sept 2, 2021