

PTHS PTSA

MEETING MINUTES – April 11, 2017 ATTENDANCE - 11

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Mary Pat DeRienzo at 9:23 AM

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – MARY PAT DERIENZO

- Mary Pat thanked everyone for coming.
- Student Ambassador interviews will be conducted May 18-19. Information will come out. Current ambassadors to take leadership role will have separate interviews done by Mr. Lesnett.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – MRS. PAVLIK

- Senior letters were sent out and email blasted. Graduation practice will be last three days of school. Working through final plans for end of year activities.
- Closing out Naviance with students. Having students go in and update information for District to keep as live database for students.
- College Planning Night went well. We had things changed up a bit. (Discussion took place during PTSA Meeting regarding not having after school practice during College Planning Night and during NMSI study sessions by communicating to coaches.)
- Musical was a huge success. Music Department just came back from their trip.
- After spring break is testing season.
- We have five National Merit finalists. Two students won. One won the National Merit Scholarship and the other won a Corporate Scholarship.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – MARY PAT DERIENZO (continued)

- Mary Pat DeRienzo presented the slate of PTHS PTSA officers for the 2017-2018 school year; they were voted on and approved. Congratulations to:
 - For Office of President: No candidate at this time; No nomination from floor; position remains open
 - For Office of 1st Vice President: Tina Beinhauer
 - For Office of 2nd Vice President: Jamie Sticha
 - For Office of 3rd Vice President: No candidate at this time; No nomination from floor; position remains open
 - For Office of Secretary: Melanie Hutnik
 - For Office of Treasurer: Tracey Melograne
 - For Office of Assistant Treasurer: Beth Quinn
- Mary Pat congratulated the new board and thanked the nominating committee for presenting the slate.

GUIDANCE REPORT – MRS. WAWRZENIAK

- College Planning Night: we changed it up a bit by having a keynote speaker from CMU. Sessions were well attended. For next year, we will have 9th-10th grade focus sessions and 11th-12th grade focus sessions. We will accommodate schedules by changing the format next year. This year’s flyer was confusing so there will be a better break down for next year. Mrs. Pavlik said the keynote speaker was excellent. Some parents said the sessions weren’t long enough. There was talk about changing that up. We are starting to get next year planned out now. We can let coaches know in advance so there will be no after school practice. May assign ambassadors outside each location to help direct parents.
- This is scholarship season and testing season. Keystones email went out regarding logistics. Local scholarships getting emailed out as we get them.
- Discussion about last week of school and how to keep students engaged. There was talk about bringing the CMU keynote speaker in to speak with Juniors in small groups so they can ask questions. Idea was brought up of doing a presentation in the Fall for Seniors; that’s when they are focused.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – KATHY LABELLARTE

Minutes from the March 9, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted with changes.

TREASURER'S REPORT – BETH QUINN

-Wrote two checks last month.

1st VICE PRESIDENT – TINA BEINHAUER

-Nothing to report.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT – CINDY CHAPMAN

-Prom is June 9th at Heinz Field from 7-11pm.

-Prom ticket sales are May 15-19 during lunch periods.

-We will talk more about prom at next meeting.

-Next Character Counts Meeting will be May 2 at noon at the PT Recreation Center.

-The Character Counts Spring Awards will be April 25 at 7pm at PTMS Auditorium.

3rd VICE PRESIDENT – SERENA KING (given by Mary Pat DeRienzo)

-The next Area Council Meeting will be April 20 at 9:15am at the District Administration Office with district administrators in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

-None

NEW BUSINESS

-Margaret Rauscher reported on the nominating committee for Area Council. Still in need of a secretary. Let Margaret know if anyone is interested.

-Carol Planitzer reported on the Prom Fashion Show sponsored by the Thespian Troupe. Show is April 23rd and tickets are \$5.

-PTSD Directory will be taken over by new ladies. We will need a chairperson.

-Mary Pat DeRienzo said the board has discussed donating approximately \$7,000 to academic enrichment based on a successful concession stand. Mrs. Pavlik mentioned they are looking for possible technology for the Math Department; more details to follow at next meeting. In addition, we've discussed another water bottle filling station at the approximate cost of \$1,100 may be purchased. So approximately \$8,000-\$8,500 will be donated pending additional proposed specifics and membership approval next month.

-Area Council donated money for art and music program. Grants based on percentage of students in each building.

Meeting adjourned – 10:38 AM

Minutes Submitted by: Kathy LaBellarte
Kathy LaBellarte, Secretary