

October 21, 2020 9:15 AM

District Administration Offices

- ❖ **Call to Order-** Pledge of Allegiance-9:21 AM
- ❖ **President Report-** Sue Deegan, President- welcome to the new PTA presidents, thank you to school principals for participating today
- ❖ **Reading and Approval of Minutes-** Kathleen Chaudhari, Secretary
 - Jan Trombitas recording minutes for Kathleen Chaudhari
 - September 24, 2020 Meeting Minutes- approved by attendees
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report-** Lisa Argent, Treasurer
 - September Financial Report- spread sheet- PTA/PTSA - dues deposited for the months of September and October
- ❖ **School Principals-** and Unit Reports
 - **PTHS Principal-** Mrs. Lori Pavlik- just finished a non-conditional approach to Homecoming week, Using PTHS Showcase to communicate with students. Football game was open to students on Friday and King and Queen of prom were crowned, taking it one day at a time, new platform for learning and teaching continues to be adjusted- All efforts are being made to move into the new school on time- super exciting!!
New student desks for new school, but will be moving some equipment. Question regarding AP exams- and prep time needed- All schools across the globe are in same situation and College Board has plans to adjust requirements but no announcements will be made until closer to the date. Zoom parent conferences are getting a large turnout. 1000 kids attending school in person, 300 students are remote- many scenarios to cover between both groups- attendance, testing and make-ups. Recommend to have parent/student utilize the student's counselor to facilitate return to school and assessments. Remote learning assessments have been tweaked when necessary department- by- department. Evaluating student's grades shows that the in-school kids are doing over-all better than the students learning remotely. Feedback is needed from ALL students. Everyone needs a little bit of grace and understanding.
 - Mary Pat DeRienzo- PTSA President- nothing to report
 - **PTMS Principal-** Mr. Adam Sikorski- great to see everyone in person, reinforce with students to follow directions and mask wearing. Parent Teacher conferences, more requests than time slots, so teachers may open up future slots. Book Fair will be virtual and remote on canvas. Fall

athletics are finishing up- encourage students to sign up for winter sports which are basketball and wrestling (and always fencing)- New school resource officer- Pat Mazzotta. If the move to the new high school begins on time, the current HS will be renovated to hold grades 6-8 as a middle school. Next week is Red Ribbon week- with virtual assemblies and dress up days. Question regarding not only giving kids info about not doing drugs and but also reaching out to students who may have a struggle dealing with these issues in their home. Cool to be Clean at MS, and Trust Crew at high school trained to identify students in need. If kids are remote, there is a little trick the teachers can do to address academic integrity- by following the tabs and browsers on the student's remote device. Question of new locker room configurations to allow private changing areas. Suggestion to change PE uniform to gray t-shirt, and what the benefits are of having names written with sharpie across the front of the student's chest.

- Samantha McVicker- PTA President- welcome back breakfast could not happen so every student will receive a water bottle, Apple crunch day is now a small bag of sliced apples for each student. Trying to keep snack days exciting with bagged or wrapped snacks.
- **McMurray Elementary Principals-** Mr. Blair Stoehr, Mr. Michael Brookie-In regards to the new configuration of the MS, It's very difficult to let "our" 6th grade go. To miss out on the growth from 4th to 6th grade is truly heartfelt. Halloween party coming up, although a lot of fun things have been removed from school, trying to keep kids engaged. Red Ribbon week upcoming, Hero Days and Hero lessons are beautiful, arrival and dismissal working smoothly. In a classroom yesterday in there was an incident with the health of a teacher and students acted flawlessly- ALICE training and Hero training shined.
 - Sonia Koupiaris- PTA President-Julie Collins- recently receive a \$1900 check from Giant Eagle rewards, A PT dad, Mike Super, renowned magician doing magic show for students remotely
- **Pleasant Valley Principal-** Mr. Greg Marquis – great start to the school year. Shout out to families, staff and PTA for creating a safe space for students. Doing a lot to engage the 100-120 online learners. Organizing pick up days, recess bags, picture days, and Halloween participation. Also keeping counseling services. Hero lessons and weekly celebrations to keep student s involved. Trying to keep online learning robust. Fire Safety week last week with recorded videos and virtual tours. Parent

virtual conference day is Thursday and Friday and scheduled with all families. Virtual Magic show for Halloween party streaming into classrooms on Friday, October 30th.

- Jen Hanko- PTA President- Halloween is ready to go! Grade coordinators can start planning for the Holiday party. Virtual book fair coming up in November. Thanksgiving craft for all students. Looking forward to hear feedback.
- **Bower Hill Principal**—Mr. Robert Garvey – not present today
 - Missy Harmon- PTA President- Halloween party ready for students- working with individual teachers for playground equipment. Just finished up drive-through book fair. Mystery bags handed out and Clifford the Big Red Dog was there. Read-a-thon is moving to Feb. or March.
- ❖ **Report of School Board Representative-** Lisa Anderson, Minna Allison- not present today
- ❖ **Questions for Shelly-** What is happening with current HS pool, working with construction crew to possible keep old pool active at current HS because new pool will not be ready. Administrative offices at new building are coming along. Offices are painted. Trophy displays are in. Classrooms are ready! Very exciting.
- ❖ **Committee Reports**
 - 1st VP-Melissa Konggaard
 - Character Counts- • Reflections • Directory- A to Z updates from Adam – involves getting homeroom info into Power school – working with Mindy at this time. Need to do something with A to Z so we can keep ourselves relevant. Problems need to be addressed so families can buy memberships. Funds are needed to keep programs going. Parents are feeling more detached than ever.
 - 2nd VP Lori McRoberts
 - By-Laws • Pictures
- ❖ **Old Business/New Business**
- ❖ **Calendar**
 - Next Month's Meeting- November 19, 2020, 9:15 AM
 - District Administration Reports
- ❖ **Adjournment**

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