

AGENDA
UHS PTSO Monthly Meeting
Thursday, September 2, 2021 6pm

Attendees – Debbie Mulhall, Molli Hamilton, Kendryn McDonough, Stacy Harper, Mariana William, Tiffany Gillen, Principal Kim Greene, Vice Principal Teddy Stewart, Vice Principal Jason Pauley

Attendees Via Zoom - Jennifer Brant, Vice Principal Katrina Cimorelli

Welcome – Debbie Mulhall - meeting called to order by Debbie M. at 6:02 pm. Introductions were made.

Call to Order - The Meeting was called to order at 6pm by PTSO President, Debbie Mulhall.

Approval of the Agenda

- Molli Hamilton made a motion to approve the Agenda. This motion was 2nd by Kendryn McDonough. The Agenda was accepted.

- PTSO dues - A reminder that all members must pay \$5 dues to be voting members. Please see Kendryn to pay your dues.

Secretary Report -

Approval of minutes from last meeting - The Minutes from the April 15, 2021 meeting were presented. Molli Hamilton made a motion to accept the minutes. Tiffany Gillen 2nd the motion. The Minutes were accepted.

4. Old business

- Wall of Recognition - We will table this time until the next meeting. Mrs. Wolter, who has been working on this project for several years, has all photos of valedictorians except one. By the next meeting we should be ready to finalize this project.
- Volunteer Form, Booklet, Donation Form - PTSO needs to determine how we are going to get the donation and volunteer forms out to parents and returned. Do we want to do self addressed stamped envelopes? Put the responsibility to stamp the envelope on parents? It was determined that the best way this year might be doing a hot call from Mrs. Greene and utilizing forms online for parents to access and send in along with donations. We will also work on giving a more informative and detailed explanation to parents on what PTSO money is used for (e.g., scholarships, Lucy's Closet, Teacher Appreciation, Senior Activities, etc.).

5. New business

- Kindness Committee for Teachers - Mrs Stipanick has asked if we would be willing to donate one gift card per month for their "Kindness to Teachers" initiative. After some discussion, it was decided that we will create a new line item in our budget under the Teacher Appreciation Committee. Kendryn

McDonough made the motion. Tiffany Gillen 2nd the motion and the motion passed. We will have a sub category, Kindness Committee, under Teacher Appreciation. We will fund it with \$225 to provide a \$25 gift card each month.

6. Committee Reports

- Lucy's Closet - The closet's function is to provide students basic essentials that they need. Anything from clothes to cap and gowns. The Chair position on this committee was vacant. Stacy Harper volunteered to chair this committee.
- Teacher Appreciation - We feed teachers before each of their Parent Teacher Conferences throughout the year. Papa Johns will typically donate pizza. We also are able to work with Apple Annies for discounted meals. We have utilized food trucks and raffled off gift cards. We likely need to increase this budget as we went over budget last year.
- Beautification Committee - We can reduce this budget somewhat as it is not likely to need \$1000. This committee will plant mums in the outside planters at the school in the fall and put live holiday wreaths on the doors (4) at holiday time. We need someone to head up this committee.
- Senior Class Activities - Ashley Gillespie has volunteered to do this.
- Social Media - Charmin will head this up again.
- LSIC -

7.LSIC nominations and elections- After some discussion and explanation about what LSIC is and what it does, one parent, Mariana William, volunteered to serve on the LSIC as one of the Parent Members. Debbie Mulhall will also serve as a Parent Member. PTSO members will continue to seek out additional parents to serve on LSIC.

8.Treasurer's Report - The Treasurer's Report with current balances was presented by Treasurer, Kendryn McDonough. A motion was made by Molli Hamilton to approve the report. The motion was 2nd by Stacy Harper. Motion passed.

9. Budget Approval - Several items in the budget were discussed. We will keep most line items the same. Increase Teacher Appreciation. We will table the approval of the budget till next month.

10.Administration Report - Mrs Greene - Mrs. Greene asked that we all please vote on levy on Sept. 25. It will affect schools in many ways. It will affect whether or not schools have a school nurse. Whether or not we have school counselors, librarians, phys ed instructors, alternative ed programs, technology, chromebooks, etc. It funds about 22% of our school's annual budget. Mon Co teacher salaries are higher than other counties because of funding received from this levy.

-Homecoming Dance - cannot have right now due to rising covid numbers per the Board of Education. The school is postponing the dance until Oct 23 in hopes that restrictions will change and we can have it then.

-The Homecoming Parade is still happening as of now - Sept 21.

-We will be doing testing - PSAT - 9th grade - 10th and 11th grade MNSAT (?). Along with the College Board, we will work with students and show them their weaknesses and where they need to improve.

-UHS is growing. Student body up to 1382.

- We are having a higher incidence of behavioral problems with students. More fights are happening and back talking towards teachers is going on. Administration believes that being remote for a year has caused some backsliding in behavior.
- The students learned some of their school history this past week.
- We will be creating a UHS on the football field using the bodies of all the students. Seniors will create an outline of the letters, in gold. Freshmen will wear red, Sophomores will wear white and Juniors will wear black.
- Covid Protocol - The new Covid Protocols can be found on the UHS website. These protocols apply only to unvaccinated students.

11. Student report/update

- Tiffany Gillen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Stacy Harper. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm.
- Next meeting will be October 28 at 6pm.