

PCHS PTSO Meeting Minutes

Thurs, May 16th, 2024

Persons in Attendance: Heather Sims (President), Kim Abbett (Vice President), Jared Pulham (Secretary), Zach Smith (StuCo), Christy Manilla (Parent), Sylvia Hebert (Parent), Tara Stoker (Member at large), Bonnie Stewart, Janna Murray, Christi Grisham, Susan Morris, Sharon Betker, Roger Arbabi (Principal)

Meeting Called to order: Heather Sims at 9:03 am

Meeting Minutes Approved - [Apr 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes](#) were Approved.

- Approved first by Kim Abbett and second by Tara Stoker.

Principal's Report – Roger Arbabi

- **Lacrosse Teams Play** - both teams playing today and have had a great season. Boys especially just had a great finish in a game last week.
- **Construction Update** - Still planning to be in by Aug with much of the building material inside installed. Things are moving at a fast pace. We'll be five classrooms short so we'll have five teachers floating without permanent
- **Docudrama Tomorrow** - Powerful presentation by PTSO for seniors to help dissuade any students from drinking
- **Senior Last Week** - Last day May 31, Grades lock on Monday, June 3rd, Computers turned in June 4th
- **AP Testing** - Complete by Friday May, 17th. A record number of exams have been taken this year. 2100 up 50% since Mr. Arbabi 1300. This is incredible on top of the number of concurrent enrollment classes our students are also taking. Concurrent enrollment has doubled in the same time. We've had numerous Utah state academic representatives come to tour the school to understand how these programs are working and progressing. Mr. Arbabi is very proud.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** - Thank you from the Principal for everything done last week. Heather asked if the PTSO should change the week for 2025 because of everything else going on at the same time. Mr. Arbabi felt that the timing was Okay and it didn't need to change.
- **Cell Phone Policy Study** - Mr. Arbabi has been working with committees to consider what changes should be made to the school cell phone policy. They're contemplating what should be done to see if banning them would be harmful or helpful. They've have been some discussions about using pouches where students would put their phones during class.
- **Book Challenges/Review** - Kite Runner, Handmaid's Tale, and one other book were challenged this year but because they weren't actively being used in any class curriculum the school declined to review it.

- **Graduation Balloon Photo Opportunity** - PTSO is doing a 2024 graduation balloon photo display on Dozer field 2-3 days before graduation where seniors can have their photo taken with family and friends.

Student Council Report – Zach Smith

Upcoming Events:

- **Prom** - This Saturday May 18th, from 7pm-10pm @Blackrock Hotel in Hideout. The theme is casino night.
- **Sophomore Spikeball Tournament** - May 23rd from 6-8 PM
- **ParkChella** - On May 24th from 5-7pm in the senior parking lot. The event is open to all community members. This is a fair event with fun cars, food trucks and live music.
- **Senior Sunset** - On May 29th at 7pm on Dozer field. Students will then watch Ferris Bueller's Day off on the new scoreboard.
- **Senior Brunch** - On June 7th, 10:30-11am. STUCO is looking for PTSO to help with food signup.
- **Senior Chairlift Ride** - June 7th from 11-1 on the Crescent Lift

For additional StuCo information please contact Zach Smith: Zsmith24@pcstudents.us

Docudrama – Kim Abbett

- Kim is pulling all of the plans together for May 17th (probably 9:30 start).
- Bleacher permit through the city
- We have the actors, speakers, funeral home, bleacher/barricade company.
- Maceys will provide breakfast snack food for volunteers and Kim will buy coffee.
- We should expect to do thank you food for \$100 budget
- Fire Dept to provide cars
- Flyers to be distributed to neighbors the night before (Kim organizing students to help)

Financial Report – Julie Strople absent; Covered by Heather Sims

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Finances are coming along (in donations to meet our program goals).

- **Graduation Night Donations** - Coming in but we're \$600 short. PTSO has done a big push for more donations this week
- **Senior Graduation Yard Sign Sales** - Have gone well with 81 sold. This brought in \$1500 to the PTSO. After the signs started appearing in yards then many other parents started to call in asking where to get one. Perhaps next year try some additional ways to advertise with some physical signs on display in a few places around the community and at the school.
- **PTSO Dues Price Increase** - Should we increase the PTSO dues for 2024/2025, IT is currently \$40 for the year. The group resolved that we wouldn't increase it.

AP Testing Snacks - Sylvia Hebert and Kay Smith

- May 6-17. We still have chips left over from last year with more donations from PTSO.
- We will provide Cheetos, Doritos, Chips, Pirate Booty, and Motts Fruit Snacks. Packages and prepare them into packets of 25 for each AP testing classroom.

Scholarships – Kim Abbett

- Many applications this year for the categories: Growth, Future Teacher, Resilience, and Renaissance. \$500 for four different students - \$2000 given total.
- There were numerous problems that we need to resolve for next year. The top of the form wasn't filled out, we didn't have transcripts or GPAs for all of them. Some names were left on the application. We need to work closer with Pepper next year to standardize the applications better to help with the quality of the applicant.
- Should possibly consider a different category next year instead of Future Teacher (since there were only three people who applied this year).
- Committee was Bari Nan, Shari Noteware, Jen Johnson, Sharon Betker and Kim Abbett
- Committee members should not have seniors to eliminate a conflict of interest.

Honor Roll Doughnuts – Christi Grisham

- Was April 11th Christi and Sylvia ordered 350 doughnuts for the 622 kids on honor roll. We had plenty of volunteers to help hand them out along with blow pops and oranges.

Staff Appreciation Week - Heather Sims

- Was last week May 6-10th during AP testing week.
- Monday was breakfast, Tues were flowers, Wed were flower seeds, Thurs was a candy bar, and Fri was a Taco truck.
- A lot of great feedback from many different teachers.
- We were rushed with this because a week before we realized that there were no plans for the week. Thank you to Julie Strople who pulled most of it together last minute.

Grad Night – Tara Stocker

- All plans are moving forward for the evening of June 7 at Basin Rec Center
- Tables/Chairs company has doubled the quote last minute so we're struggling to find another option or get them to honor their price from last year.
- Characterist new person was found and honored the price of the original characterist
- Signup-genius has been sent out for volunteers - Seeking jr. families to help setup
- Budget is Okay but we're still looking for \$600 and more prizes.
- We should do a special Miner Minute with all things for the Senior Week.
- We need more volunteers for setup and to help with the casino

Board Intentions and Interest 2024/25 - Heather Sims

- Kim Abbett and Bonnie Stewart will be President and Vice President.
- Sharon Betker will be the Treasurer
- We still need a secretary and Minute Minute owner
- Jamie Weeks offered the PTSO seats up front in the VIP section for their appreciation

Meeting adjourned at 10:04

Next PTSO meeting is in September 2023