Lakota West PTSO Minutes
November 11, 2024

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

In attendance: Tricia Wade, Emily Jackson, Yufang Vangaasbeek, Ali Boger, Jennifer Richarson, Stacy Bradley-Robinson, Linda Swiatek, Julie Hill, Lisa Phair, Amit Chitnis, Taryn Baker, and Scott Laman

Review of Minutes from October 2024
Motion to approve: Emily Jackson, Second: Lisa Phair, Approved

Principals' Report – Scott Laman and Taryn Baker

- Final Exam Schedule will be 1-3-3 with early release on the last two days at the end of semester. Details will be shared in the Firebird news.
- Crosswalk Safety Meetings Update – Lakota district and West building administration are listening and working toward increased safety practices.
- PSAT will take place during the school day next year and teachers will be utilized to help administer it.
- Mr. Laman shared Lakota West's Action Plan Building Goals. PBIS will be starting with teachers now and student recognition will begin next semester with a special lunch and gift of Lakota West gear to students nominated by the staff. Mr. Laman asked for support of this PBIS initiative. PBIS Recognition of Pillars: AIR – Authenticity, Investments, Relationships
- Lakota District Star Rating (out of 5 stars) – we got 4.5 stars, district increased its overall rating by 1 star, moving from 3.5 to 4.5 stars, which exceeds state standards. Our state rank improved from 330 to 111. Progress Rating – how does the teacher grow an individual student (Value Added) All subgroups were positive. Performance Index (PI). College, Career, Workforce, Military (CCWM) Readiness Component measures how well-prepared Ohio's students are for all future opportunities. Lakota increased by 21%. Strategic programmatic changes continue to increase our readiness data.
- The fall play, *Much Ado About Nothing*, will be performed this weekend.
- Activities Fair at West Freshman is coming up in conjunction with Real World 101. Upper Classmen will be coming to represent clubs and organizations.
- Nov 22 Butler Tech Field Trip Tour for 10th graders, Nov 11 at Freshman to talk about the 10th grade academy at Butler Tech

Treasurer's Report: Emily Jackson

- Emily presented the current financial report and explained the spending and income for the month.
- We discussed the request from Mr. Laman to support the PBIS initiative to recognize and reward positive student behavior.

Motion to donate $750 for PBIS for 2nd Semester: Emily Jackson, Second: Lisa Phair, Approved

Craft Show Early Planning for 2025 – Yufang Vangaasbeek

- Shared marketing changes and ideas for next year.
- Asked for feedback on yard signs and food truck choices.

DPC Updates: District Parent Council Representatives – Kathy Wyenandt (not present), Lisa Phair, Jennifer Richardson

- Cell Phone Policy – Lakota plans to finalize in early 2025 and will put it into effect next school year.
- Upcoming Community Conversations - families of English Language Learners in January and February
- GEM Awards for staff – Nominations are ongoing. First awards in November.
- Minutes from November 6th DPC Meeting were shared at this meeting and are attached.

Other Committee Reports

- Conference Dinners – Looking for more volunteers and coordinators to take over for next year. We would love to train them before the current coordinators senior out.
- Senior Scholarships – Our scholarship process has been reconfigured to include 5 scholarships with applications due on February 1st.

President's Report: Tricia Wade

- Real World 101 at West Freshman is scheduled on November 26.
- Looking for additional volunteers to cover these positions: Assistant Treasurer, Butler Tech Rep, Conference Dinners (Jan 23 & Feb 20), Staff Appreciation (May 5-9, 2025)
- Lakota West Earring Sale at future events: 1/17 Mason/West basketball, 1/24 East/West basketball, and 1/23 freshman conference night

Next Meeting – December 9, 2024, at 6 PM in the Innovation Hub at Main Campus. Listen & Learn with Lakota's Superintendent, Dr. Whitely, will take the place of our December PTSO Meeting. All Lakota West parents and guardians are invited.

LW PTSO Winter Celebration at Sonder Brewing will follow - Dec 9th 7:30-9:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Remaining 2024-2025 PTSO Meetings: 12/9, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/21, and 5/12
All meetings will be held at 6 PM at Main Campus (8940 Union Centre Blvd.) at 6:00 PM