

MEETING MINUTES
PTSO Meeting, 10/16/17

Board and Committee Members Present:

- Suzanne Wycoff
- Sherryl Luckhowec
- Tara Klein
- Wendy Sheridan
- Michele Delello
- Karen Provinzano
- Kathy McCarthy
- Tara Chambers
- Randi Bell
- Meredith Burns

Sign in sheets:

- 23 parents in attendance
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Meeting Started: 7:01 p.m.

1. The PTSO President, Suzanne Wycoff, asked for feedback from those present on the recent “Teacher Tuesday” and “Way Back Wednesday” posts on the PTSO Facebook page. In a word, the unanimous consensus was “awesome”. She said the goal of the PTSO page was to provide “INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION”. She then discussed the difference between the “OCVTS PAA PTSO” page, which is the *official* PTSO page, whereas the parent created “PAA Parents Page 2014-2018” has no official affiliation with the PTSO and does not represent the views of the PTSO. It is strictly a closed group parent forum to share questions, information, etc.
2. On Wednesday, October 18, 2017 Suzanne was scheduled to speak before the Ocean County Freeholders as a representative of the PTSO and as a parent, to talk about the many reasons why we love PAA.
3. As per an email received by parents that day, the overnight Senior trip is confirmed for Thursday, May 31, 2018 to Pocono Valley. Students will return on June 1, 2018.
4. Treasurer, Tara Klein, discussed the Treasurer’s Report.
5. Wendy Sheridan discussed recent important updates on the PTSO’s website and encouraged parents to use it and check it frequently.

6. Mrs. Meeker spoke about a variety of topics:
 - The tremendous response to the “Making Strides Against Breast Cancer” walk that took place on 10/15/17 in Seaside. There was a huge showing from PAA students and families, PAA students sang the National Anthem, and the students also worked hard for 4+ hours in the refreshment stands.
 - The NHS food drive needs donations!
 - Friendsgiving will take place on 11/22/17, it will be a half day schedule and the remainder of the day will be spent on fun activities and eating together. Parents should check with advisors as to donations needed.
 - Donations needed for snack sales.
 - Class of 2020 is selling popsockets with PAA logo!
 - She then answered parent questions as to how NHS works, how students are invited to apply and that the student agenda book answers many questions regarding NHS.

7. Sherryl Luckhowec spoke about the status of the BonTon book sales which were now being handled by Dawn Homewood. Dawn spoke about how many were currently sold and that she would need volunteers to sell books at the BonTon store(s). By the end of the meeting an approximate total of 78 books had been sold.

8. Mr. Bourke spoke to the crowd about TechFest on April 14th and how the money raised is used for scholarships.

9. Michele DeLello spoke about the hard deadline of November 1st for the food forms and payment to be received in order for students to be signed up for food service during the fall drama.

10. Suzanne Wycoff spoke about the teacher holiday “giving tree” and that parents should be on the lookout for the tree to be put up in November. Further details to come.

11. Tara Chambers spoke about the apparel committee looking to have a holiday sale and that for anyone looking to purchase varsity jackets, sample jackets were available in the office to try on to determine size, fit, etc.

12. NEW BUSINESS. Anne Sayers spoke about the yearbook ads (boosters) and that at least 20 participants would be needed in order for that segment of the book to be approved. More information to come.

13. There was no further new business to discuss. A motion was made to end the meeting.

Meeting Ended: 7:59 p.m.