

TJ PTO Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2017

PTO Mission: The purpose of PTO is to enhance and support the educational experience at TJHS, to develop a closer connection between school and home by encouraging parent involvement and to improve the environment at TJHS throughout volunteer and financial support.

Attendees: Debi Kelley, Spring Herricks, Kevin Whalen, Keith Priest, Lisa Marlin, Kary Cramer, Julie Seff, Bruce Channel, and Andrew Skari.

The following are the main subjects discussed at the meeting:

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT AND DISCUSSION:

AP Andrew Skari discussed the bond approval and request status, infrastructure improvements, where PTO can help.

He talked about priorities for the bond, noting that a lot of it is to be used for heat mitigation and upgrades to classrooms. Other areas also being looked at include making all tennis courts fully functional, as well as remodeling the front lobby and upgrading bathrooms out front. A second gym is being considered. Details of the bond amount will be provided at the next PTO meeting.

Smaller projects that PTO could fundraising for are:

1. More security cameras, at least 6, need 12
2. New water station. Have one and would like another
3. Gates for main parking lot
4. Remove baseball fence, and replace with trees, boulders
5. Have a fund for rewards and incentives, such as gift cards, for reinforcing positive behavior in the classroom and in the hallway
6. Find a permanent place for the Spirit Store, perhaps in the main lobby

TREASURER REPORT:

Ken Whalen gave budget worksheet.

Discussion about 10% of fundraisers going into the PTO general fund. This was tabled for next meeting of PTO.

FUNDRAISERS:

How to achieve fundraising targets for 2017-2018

Spirit Store -- Traditionally the Spirit Store sells most merchandise in the fall. Need to figure out how to keep the store going into the future. Begin training people how to run it.

King Soopers -- Sold 12 more in December just by advertising in the newsletter. Discussion was held to make them more easily available and possibly gift to all staff with instructions on how the cards can be reloaded because profits can help fund classroom needs.

ArtFest -- A goal should be to double profits of ArtFest, maybe by raising vendor fees.

Broncos Concessions – Committing to running concessions at Broncos home games has the potential of earning \$2,000 per game for 10 games. Parents have to be involved to make it successful.

Amazon Smile – Registered in last quarter of 2016 so waiting for profits to show. Include a “did you know” in next newsletter about this by giving update on how it works.

Online auction – will begin to build list.

Further review of topics of the bond and fundraisers will continue in February meeting.

Meeting Adjourned