



PTO Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

The PTO mission is to support the educational experience at TJHS and to foster a stronger school community for students, parents and staff.

PTO Board Members in attendance: Krista Zizzo, Lisa LoJacono, Megan Perkins, Briana Rimkus, Jill VanAbbema, Janet Willson

Total attendance: 14

6:00 Welcome & Introductions (Krista Zizzo, PTO President)

• **Teacher Appreciation** (Susan Dolson)

- o Providing dinner for teachers on 10/12 from 4-6:30pm for Parent/Teacher conferences
- o Holiday Gifts for teachers (approximately 150)
 - Brainstorming ideas in the \$10 range
 - Soliciting parent donations for teacher holiday appreciation
 - Any businesses that are local or TJ owned?
 - Water bottles that change colors
 - Coffee cups with TJ logo to accompany coffee bars throughout the year
 - Susan will ask Brittany Nicolo (staff wellness coordinator) what staff might like/want/need

6:10 Treasurer Report (Krista Zizzo for Teri Hetzel, Treasurer)

- Review of current financials (recent fundraising efforts are not reflected in 9/30/22 financial summary)
- Draft budget for 2022-23 reviewed
 - King Soopers program will be promoted
 - PTO will need new Treasurer for 23-24 school, ideally determined by January 2023

6:30 New Business (Krista Zizzo, PTO President)

• **Challenge Day 2023 (mid-February)**

- Facilitated discussions for a day of bonding and personal growth for Juniors and Seniors.
- TJ will need volunteers and fundraising to support this event as Challenge Denver's grant sources have changed.
- Discussion will be continued as many questions arose regarding funding, student participation/interest.

• **PTO Insurance Expenses**

- Bus stop on Hampden – TJ changes over the artwork on a quarterly basis, DECA now handles the maintenance (snow shoveling); \$2,000 grant flows through PTO to support artwork programs.
- We hold property and general liability insurance for the bus stop.
- Adding a Directors and Officers policy for PTO to cover board members and directors
- Also, background check links will be sent to PTO volunteers and board members.

- **PTO Website / or page separate from TJ Newsletter**

- How many people are reading the newsletter?
- Possible link to TJ PTO website in newsletter to shorten length of newsletter and direct parents to more information organized by classes and activities

6:45 PTO Leadership Updates

- **Spirit Store Managers** - Jill VanAbbema

- Online sale runs Friday 10/14-11/4 promoted in the newsletter and Spartan edition
- Deliveries available by the holidays and delivered directly to homes
- Sign Up Genius for volunteer shifts at various sales events

- **Food Bank** - Megan Perkins & Becca Mahoney

- October distribution is tomorrow 3-5pm

- Upcoming: Thanksgiving baskets, Holiday Gift Drive

- Donations from Newmont to supplement Thanksgiving food bags

- **Class Sponsors:**

- **2023** – Janet Willson

- Octoberfest raised \$3500
- Tues 10/25 - 7-8pm: After Prom Planning Meeting rm 111

- **2024** - Dyanna Spicher

- Birdcall Restaurant Night tonight! – Use Code TJHS1011
- Raised \$10,000 through paint donation drive, BirdCall, Hoco Bonfire Concessions, Backyard Party

- **2025** - Kerry Muhovich & Heather Reeder

- Bulb Sale ends Saturday

- Fundraiser at Wish Gift Shop 10/26 (6-8pm) 5014 E Hampden Avenue

- **2026** - Welcome, Sheila Tyler & Carrie Alleman!

- Still need a PTO Member at Large position

7:10 Announcements - Next PTO meeting: **Tuesday, November 8** at 6 pm

7:15 Adjourn

And don't forget to...

- Sign up for the school newsletter and follow TJ on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
- Register your King Soopers Card for Community Rewards Program
- Use Amazon Smile if you shop at Amazon

Upcoming Dates & Reminders

- **Tonight!** Class of 2024 Fundraiser at Birdcall

- **Sat 10/15:** Class of 2025 Bulb Sale ends: <http://tjhs2025.fpfundraising.com/>

- **Tues 10/25 - 7-8pm:** Class of 2023 After Prom Planning Meeting (held in Rm 111 at TJHS)

- **Wed 10/26 – 6-8pm:** Class of 2025 Fundraising Event at Wish Gift Shop, 5014 E Hampden Avenue.

Come shop, snacks and drinks on hand. Mention TJHS at checkout or use the code TJHS for [online orders](#).

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- Questions? Want to Volunteer? Email TJHSpto@gmail.com