

PTO Minutes | March 14, 2023

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Welcome and Introductions - Krista Zizzo, President

Treasurer's Report - Teri Hetzel

Balance available to TJPTO continues to stay level at about \$66,000

Spartan Grants: Approvals for Time Sensitive Requests - Melissa Lindstrom

- Grant deadline is March 31.
- 14 requests submitted to date.
- Five requests require a decision prior to our April meeting:
 - Mr. Logan "Math Problem of the Week" approved: \$1000 for prizes through the next grant cycle (March 2024)
 - JROTC approved \$2000 for 27 students travel to Florida for competition
 - o DECA International Competition: \$2,200 approved for 11 students' travel
 - Girls Flag Football summer league approved \$500 toward registration fee due in May (this is currently a club, but will transition to a sport next year)
 - CCT Journalism reimburse Ms. Adair \$120 for hoodies for journalism staff

Discussion around Auction Chairs stepping down from their role for next school year. As the funds raised by the auction fund the Spartan Grants, it is imperative that PTO finds new auction chairs to manage the auction or other fund raiser for next year and in years to come in order to be able to continue funding grants in the future.

Announcements - Krista Zizzo

- TJ Bus Stop Art: Robyn Schiff
 - Photography student display is next installation.
 - Will go up prior to spring break
 - Another installation will be out before the end of the year. Considering people or groups who are supporting TJ: Kendra Black, DECA, Photography Students, Year in Review panels, etc.
- Challenge Day Feedback: positive, successful reports from Samanda Davis
- New Treasurer for 2023-24: Erin Kimmel
- Jazz Band Trip approval for baggage expenditure "pass through" \$2000 will be used for purchase of VISA cards for travel; to be reimbursed by travel company
- Multicultural Night is this Friday from 5:30 7pm prior to musical performance at 7:00 pm
- Class of 2027 "Choice of Studies" nights will be scheduled after round of choice closes

PTO Leadership Updates

Spirit Store Managers - Monica Snyder & Jill VanAbbema Possible Spring online sale, Sales are slow and steady We will investigate the possibility of DECA students running the Spirit Store in the future

Teacher/Staff Appreciation - Susan Dolson Food Truck Lunch will be provided to staff on Monday, 4/3

Questions? Want to Volunteer: email TJHSpto@gmail.com



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May 1-5: Staff Appreciation week of activities

Monday, 5/1: PTO will offer possible 20% discount at Spartan Spirit Store for

staff, as well as a "treat" from the PTO

Tuesday, 5/2: Class of 2026 will sponsor this day Wednesday, 5/3: Class of 2025 will sponsor this day Thursday, 5/4: Class of 2024 – May the Fourth theme Friday, 5/5: Class of 2023 – Cinco de Mayo theme

Auction - Megan Perkins & Becca Mahoney

Date: April 16-20 Need donations!

Food Bank - Becca Mahoney & Megan Perkins

Next distribution is Wed. 3/22 from 3-5pm

Class Committee Updates:

2022 - \$2000+ from Class of 2022 will roll over for a class gift and possibly be combined with any leftover 2023 funds and a joint decision on how to spend funds

2023 - Christy Jordan & Catherine Poirier

Unexpected issues arose around community use forms and liability insurance. PTO future budgets will contain an insurance line item so class funds do not have to be used for insurance

Friday 3/17: Prize Patrol gift card donations are requested by this date

Saturday 4/15: Decorating party at TJ from 11am - 3pm

Thursday, 4/27: Begin lighting outdoor trees surrounding TJ

Saturday 4/29: Prom and After Prom!

2024 - Dyanna Spicher

Plans for Senior Sleepout are being made, including purchasing the t-shirts. Student survey shows 58% of students intend to come; dates are being set for senior year events; currently \$2000 in prom account; \$6-7000 is likely prom expenditure; will hold a spring parent meeting

2025 - Kerry Muhovich & Heather Reeder

Thursday 4/6: Class of 2025 parent meeting will be held at 6pm

2026 - Sheila Tyler & Carrie Alleman

Parent Meeting was held last Tuesday, 3/7

Discussion about working to liaise with class sponsors, parents, and students on fundraising and prom/event planning in an effort to get more students involved as stakeholders.

Adjournment 8:00 pm- Our Next PTO Meeting is April 11