



Hilliard Davidson PTO Meeting Minutes

July 30, 2024

In attendance: Kimberly Van Gundy, Jess Porter, Amy Jacobs, Sharla Buxton, Kim Turner, Sheila Brown

Welcome and Introductions: Kimberly Van Gundy called the meeting to order at 6:20PM

Principal's Report: No report

Secretary Report: No report

Treasurer Report:

Amy Jacobs

No financial activity was reported in June. May activity included the deposit of a Kroger check (\$20,769) into the PTO bank account. There were also transactions in May for teacher appreciation week and additional expenses were incurred for wish list items granted to teachers for items like printers, classroom supplies, candy, etc.

For the 2023-2024 school year, there was an attendance award given to the class with the best attendance. While it hasn't been announced if this award will be continued for the 2024-2025, it's been decided to keep this item in the budget. Popsicles and ice cream were more popular than pizza provided, so the PTO would likely continue to provide frozen treats.

Class gifts will be phased out of the PTO budget and will be exclusively supported by the class making the gift.

Senior week activities have previously been donations, but the PTO will keep this as a line item on the budget in the event it is needed.

The PTO did not donate to the Hilliard Education Fund in the 2023-2024 school year. The donation is typically \$250.00. Kim Turner recommends we make a donation of \$500.00 for the 2024-2025 school year to make up for the shortfall of not donating the last school year.

Back to School:

Kimberly Van Gundy

Kimberly is picking up two iPads July 31, 2024 from Rita Kitchen (Davidson IT department) that will be utilized to facilitate payment of PTO items, primarily spirit wear and concessions.

Back to School Schedule of Events:

August 12-13: Freshman Focus

August 13-14: Wildcat Welcome

August 14: Freshman Parent Night

August 16: Staff Returns

August 21: First Day of School

August 27: Open House/Meet teachers

Ideas were discussed on how to publicize getting involved with the PTO as the school year begins. A flyer will be created by Kimberly Van Gundy that can be shared via email blast, paper flier and QR code. While all parent involvement is encouraged, focus will be placed on freshman parents attending freshman parent night. Jess Porter has offered to speak at Freshman parent night to publicize parental involvement in the PTO.

There are two back to school events as well as freshman t-shirts that are financially supported by the PTO. The first event is a back-to-school cookout held the last day of Freshman Focus. The budget is \$250.00 and it covers the costs of food and drinks. Freshman Focus now ends at noon and the concern is students will immediately leave after it ends and not linger for the cookout. This budget line item will remain as a decision on the cookout is not finalized yet. The second event is the back-to-school lunch (date TBD) where the PTO provides \$500.00 to cover the cost of food and drink for all students. Additionally, there is a purchase of freshman t-shirts with the cost being \$500.00. These t-shirts are given to all freshman during Freshman Focus. The total amount for all of these items is \$1250.00. Kim Turner made a motion to approve payment for these back-to-school expenditures and Jess Porter seconded the motion.

New Business

Matt Faska, Vice Principal assigned to the PTO, has made a request for the PTO to fund the cost of four new chairs for the guidance office. Matt has already researched some chairs and has determined the total cost to range between \$400.00-\$700.00. Kimberly Van Gundy has also found chairs at Costco for \$100.00 each and shared if the purchase is made before August 14th, we would not have to pay sales tax for the purchase. Kim Turner made a motion to add a \$400.00 line item for the guidance office chairs and Jess Porter seconded the motion.

Matt Faska has also asked the PTO for support of the following events: PSAT Coffee and Donuts, Custodian Appreciation and Teacher Appreciation Week. The amount needed to support these events is still being determined.

Discussions are ongoing regarding teacher and staff gifts and the appropriate monetary amount to allocate for all individuals. Considerations include varying sizes of departments, ensuring purchases are school approved, avoiding safety hazards with purchases, etc.

Dances

Homecoming is October 6th and the PTO will manage the shoe check and concessions that evening.

Spirit Wear

Kim Turner

Funds have been previously approved to purchase new spirit wear. New items this year include a white zip up hoodie sweatshirt with the cost being \$35.00. Artwork options include a two-color print HD and a paw print. There will also be a white crew neck sweatshirt and white t-shirts with new artwork showcasing the HDV letters. Royal blue hoodies will also be added to the inventory and will have block designs. It was decided that ball caps are a popular item and more would be ordered. The PTO will also sell \$15.00 t-shirts for the first football game with the style being a white out shirt with purple. This shirt will be sold at Freshman Focus and the Open House. Kim will be sending a sign-up genius in the near future with all opportunities to sell spirit wear.

Kimberly Van Gundy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11PM and Kim Turner seconded the motion.

PTO meetings are typically held the second Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Davidson school lounge, Avery Road side of the building.

The next PTO meeting will be held on Monday, August 12 at 7:00PM.