

Centerville Jr. High PTSA Meeting Agenda

February 13, 2024

Call to order 1:39pm

Attendance: Boston Nelson, Mr. Plant, Bryttin Jones, Jamie Dearden, Kim Wirfs (online), Diana Bowler, Danielle Creamer, Mr Hogge

Welcome, Pledge: Bryttin Jones

Leadership Thought: Kristie Rushforth via Bryttin Jones – “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” Helen Keller. This collaboration between the PTA, the school administration, and the students is an incredible group that has been able to do some pretty incredible things. We all are needed, we all are supported by one another and together we can unitedly help share that love and support with the wonderful community here at CJH.

Approve minutes from 1/9/24 Motion - Danielle, Diana second

STUDENT BUSINESS

SBO: Boston Nelson - end of Sweet Week. Ways to Say I Love You dance was fun and well attended. Valagrams and treats in the Charger store are selling well, today was the last day.

Charger Council: Danielle Creamer - Charger Council will be doing an “Amigo Bingo” game for Charger Week

SCHOOL BUSINESS

Administration- cell phone policy update - students give it a thumbs down, but support the reasoning. First 6 days in January had overall 2.12% of students violating the policy, first 6 days in February is .82% of students. Students are more respectful, polite, and engaged.

Parents are supportive when contacted about a violation.

Incentive plan discussed and decided - the grade with the lowest percent of violations at the end of each week will have a drawing for gift cards. Students who did violate cannot win, and a student can only win once. This will not be communicated to parents so that students focus on the intrinsic reward. PTSA gifted money to the school to support this plan through the remainder of the school year.

Parent Teacher Conferences - faculty really likes having the dinner break at 5:00, parents are supportive of this. Discussed benefits of full virtual vs fully in-person vs a hybrid. Possibility next school year of doing 1.5 days in first and third terms, and let second term be for 6th grade orientation night with all faculty.

Counseling - elementary visits and orientation this week, new student orientation Feb 21 5:30-7:30 in 2 sessions. PTSA is invited to speak briefly at each session and have a booth to onboard new parents. Some students will be in the blue representing clubs, other groups will just have the advisor. Packets going to 6th graders on Feb 22 and 23, and parents will receive an email about the packet.

Lots of parent involvement in 9th grade CCRs, 8th starting soon, 7th graders have their class request sheet- it is due this Friday.

VHS tour was great. Beneficial for CJH students and VHS as a whole.

Purple Week in April - Kim Wirfs and Mr. Griffiths are working on a week for this. Follow up in March.

PTA BUSINESS

Charger Week: Feb 26-March 1

Tues - yellow - Charger Council

Wed - white - SBOs

Thur - blue - Hope Squad (assembly)

Kristie making a banner to put outside the school. Order 3' X 8' from District print shop.

Communications: Kim Wirfs - need to discuss her replacement for next year. She will post about Phone Free activity and Charger Week.

Nominating Committee: Bryttin - We need 2 current board members to serve to help find replacements as needed for next year's board. Discuss in March meeting.

Budget Update: Diana Bowler

PTSA money has to be through Givebacks starting next year (cannot take donations on mydsd) We cannot mix money ie: SBOs cannot use the PTSA square when they sell treats for their fundraiser weeks, SBOs have a POS with Givebacks and will use a QR code for payment options.

Charger Store - rumors of possible changes because of conflict of healthy food during lunch time. No new rules, so we are just running as is.

Teacher Appreciation Week - maybe week of April 22 or 29, wait to hear from Counselors about Purple Week.

Jamie will talk to Mr. Hendricks about help needed for Grow your School

CALENDAR

February

19th – President's Day No school

21st – PTSA Phone Free activity during lunches

March

8th - 3rd term ends

11-12th – No School

THANK YOU! Thank you to everyone that has helped with all the activities this year. Thank you to Jamie Dearden for organizing the Teacher Dinner and to all those that brought in food.

Adjourned at 2:50 motion - Danielle, second by Bryttin.