

Horseheads Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 7th



Members Present:

Stacy Witzel

Zuleykho Grover

Sarah Course

Melanie Peden

Jen O'Heron

Denise Trodsen

Betsy Brand

Jackie Camidge

Stacey White

Melissa Morrissey

Ron Holloway

Agenda

1. Introduction

- Member introduced themselves and shared their connection to the middle school.

Current Officers:

- **President:** Katryn Baccile (student in 9th grade now)
- **Vice President:** Zuleika Grover
- **Treasurer:** Jackie Camidge
- **Secretary:** Melissa Morrissey
 - **Need to vote on officer positions**
 - **Members voted Sarah Crouse as president, Zuleika Grover as vice president, Jackie Camidge as treasurer and Melissa Morrissey as secretary.**
 - **Melissa Morrissey agreed to sit on the Superintendent's parent council.**

2. School Dances and Open Gym – 3:15 – 5:15

- 10/27
- 12/15
- 6/7
 - **Ron discussed the format for the dances and the role the PTO plays with running the concession stands.**

- The members discussed the possibility of holding a “formal” night dance. Ron explained this was normally something done at the high school and his concern that it would limit participation. Since moving to a 3:15 start time for the dance and open gym, the attendance has increased. The group did not move forward with planning an evening dance.
- The group agreed to continue using the dance concessions as a means of fundraising.

3. Spirit Wear Sale

- Stacy Witzel and Sarah Crouse have agreed to head up a spirit wear sale, despite the conversation that is has historically been a lot of work for little profit.

4. Mock Interviews – volunteers needed 10/25

- Ron shared information related to the FACS mock interview process and encouraged people to contact Deb Lynch if they were interested in participating.

5. 8th Grade Celebration

- 6/21 – 9:15 – 11:15
 - The group discussed the options for the 8th grade celebration after Ron explained what had been done in the past. He encouraged them to keep it simple, as students enjoy being out of class and having snacks. More discussion will take place at the February meeting.

6. Staff Appreciation Events

- Group talked about several ideas for staff appreciation week. Ron shared what had been done in the past with the cookout and the group agreed to continue with that. They also asked if they could do additional activities and we agreed that could occur.

7. PTO Budget

- September 2022 Beginning Bank Balance: \$2,456.58
- June 2023 Ending Bank Balance: \$2,807.19
 - + 400.00 petty cash small bills for dances
 - \$3,207.19 total
- Proposal to purchase pencils for pencil machine
 - **Approved**
- Proposal to purchase 2 cash boxes (about \$50 for both boxes)
 - **Approved**
- Proposal to purchase snow cone machine, cups, & syrup (about \$200 total)
 - **Approved**
- Proposal to purchase prizes for student contests
 - **Approved \$500 to purchase various gift cards. Ron will purchase after investigating student interest.**

8. Future Meeting Dates

- 2/1 – 5:30 Library
 - **Meeting adjourned with no disagreement.**