

ALHS PTA was called to order at 6:33 p.m. Christa Olijar, PTA President, welcomed all to the meeting.

Mr. Mueller's Report

- Mr. Mueller opened by thanking PTA for the teacher conference lunch. He reported that the lunch was very much appreciated by the teachers and enjoyed by all.
- Mr. Mueller shared all the dates for Ohio State Testing (OST) which can be found on the school website. Reminder emails will also be sent to families as there will be late start dates associated with the testing days. Testing information can also be found on Twitter and the school will also use the new Messenger technology to communicate testing information to families.
 - English/Language Arts OST dates are April 11 and 12 for all English 9 and English 10 students. Juniors and Senior should report to school at 9:45.
 - Science OST dates are April 16 and 17 for all Biology Classes and Life Science Classes. All other students should report to school at 9:15.
 - Math OST dates are April 30 and May 1 for all Algebra 1 and Geometry classes. All other students should report to school at 9:15.
 - Social Studies OST dates are May 2 and 3 for all American History classes and American Government classes. All other students should report to school at 9:15.
- A/P Testing runs from May 13 through May 17.
- Prom is May 25th.
- Spring Break starts on April 19 and school resumes on April 29.
- Mr. Mueller reminded all that the High School musical, *On the Town*, will run from April 11 through April 14.
- Mr. Mueller reiterated his commitment and passion for addressing student's emotional well-being. He indicated that some of our students are struggling. Some students feel as though they are not meeting expectations, which causes anxiety and stress. Mr. Mueller has asked the teaching staff for ideas on how to address this issue. For example, the school will host "Mindy Mondays" so that students can spend some time with a staff member's pet dog. The planetarium classroom will also be used for "cosmic calming" when not used for instructional purposes. Yoga, Simon Says tournaments and more involvement from guidance and counselors are all ideas that will be pursued for next school year. Mr. Mueller also asked the PTA to come up with an idea to help students struggling with stress and anxiety by the end of the school year. Mr. Mueller suggested PTA to consider bringing in speakers or hosting ice cream Sundays. Mr. Mueller wants the students to know that the staff, parents, PTA all care about their well-being and health and we want our students to be confident and happy. Students will be able to log in wellness service hours and can become Wellness Ambassadors. There are no empty classroom available for wellness programs, but Mr. Mueller plans to re-purpose space. One PTA parent suggested that Mr. Mueller should contact the Lakewood School System as the Lakewood school system has a wellness program with Cleveland Clinic. Mr. Scott is a huge promoter of student wellness programs. There was a long conversation pertaining to the merits of Home Economics classes and Wood Crafting classes.
- Mr. Mueller said there were 250 students signed up for pottery. Seniors and seniors that need a Fine Arts credit will be given priority.
- Mr. Mueller suggested that PTA read a USA Today article called the "boy crisis" which discusses depression and pressure on young men.
- Mr. Mueller asked all to purchase their After Prom tickets.
- Naviance has been rolled out to all juniors. The goal is to have Naviance rolled out to 9-12 graders so that all have Naviance accounts. There will be a parent information meeting and college planning meeting in November.
- Mr. Mueller also asked if the PTA could help provide funding for the AP Physics class which will working on a pendulum. Allison Hawkinson will look into this to see if this is possible.

PTA President's Report – Christa Olijar

- Christa Olijar announced that his year Potts Award winner is Kristen Gallo. She will attend a breakfast on May 21st to receive her award.
- Krista Masa reported that the following individuals have been nominated for the 2019-2020 ALHS PTSA Board:

- President: Kristen Masa
- VP Membership: Leslie Knox
- Fundraising: Krissy Hart
- Treasurer: Linda Below
- Secretary: Elena West and Krissy Hart
- Council: Ashley Whiteheart
- BOE Delegate: Meg Sherban

A motion was taken to approve the above candidates by Dawn Kroneker and was seconded by Krissy Hart. Motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report – Alison Hawkinson

- Alison was not present but a Treasurer's report was provided by Christa Olijar.
- A motion to approve both the February and March financial statements was made by Krista Masa and was seconded by Ashley Whitehead. Motion was approved.

Secretary's Report

- Christa Olijar asked if there were any corrections to the March Minutes. Since there were none, it was determined that the minutes would be filed as written.

Fundraising

- No Report

Membership

- No Updates

Board of Education

- TV production classes were discussed at the last BOE meeting.
- Mental health issues were also discussed.

Delegate's Report

- Each PTA unit will now be required to have more bonding and media insurance.
- Delegate lunch will be held on May 21st. There is an 8 guest limit excluding the scholarship winners and parent.
- LEAPS continues to grow and a new teacher will be added.
- Staff will take suicide prevention classes.

Reflections

- No Report

Publicity

- No Report

Appropriations

- Erin Williams could not attend the meeting but she did send in a written report.
 - Mr. Gill will receive \$1,900 for his pendulum project.
 - Mrs. Ingraham will receive \$66.37 for 10 double sided dry eraser boards.
 - Mrs. Haputa will receive \$200 for programs related to Spanish. Her teaching philosophy is to immerse the students in the culture of Spain and these program resources will help her achieve this educational objective
 - Mrs. Hanratty will receive \$200 for Spanish videos.
 - Another teacher was told that she needs to be more specific with her request for funds.

PTA Scholarship

- The PTA scholarship fund is \$4,287. Four \$1,000 scholarships will be given out. Applicants were asked to respond to a two part question: name an event that occurred during your high school years that left an impact on you, and how will you use this experience going forward.
- PTA Council scholarship winners have not been announced yet.
- There was one winner for Reflections.

Staff Appreciation – Kristen Gallo

- Staff Appreciation will occur on May 7th. PTA will draw names for gift cards for those teachers that are PTA members.
- Kristen will also host a game which will have ALHS related questions – whomever gets the most questions right will be the winner.
- Kristen is looking at getting food for the Staff Appreciation lunch from Jakes, Parkers, Café Melissa and Giata Table.
- Kristen is deciding whether she will have a one day event or many smaller events over the week.
- The School District will also provide a cake for the teachers.

Publicity Report

- No report.

Volunteer Coordination

- No report.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.