

Truman Patriots Club Meeting

Minutes from Monday, October 25, 2021 Meeting • THS Library

Names in bold is the person who gave report

Meeting was called to order by (President **Andrea Binnicker**) at 6:59 p.m.

14 members in attendance

Minutes from September 2021 passed and approved

Inspirational thought: **Lisa Patrick**, Please remember: Your job is the dream of the unemployed, your house is the dream of the homeless, your smile is the dream of the depressed, your health is the dream of those who are sick. Beautiful things happen when you distance yourself from negativity. Find something to be grateful for.

Treasurer Reports: Julie Bumgartner

Checking Acct.: \$12,548.49 through 9/30/21

We had income from apparel sold at conferences and will report this at the November meeting.

Principal Report: Ronda Scott reported thank you for the teacher's meal! We have 6-7 solid weeks of learning without any extended breaks. The average reading level for 9-10 graders is 7.2 so this makes the vocab and reading initiative very important. Reading to learn is very challenging when you are still learning to read. Happy to report that COVID cases are really low district wide. Finals and midterms will be coming up soon. There is a family engagement event scheduled for 11/16 and I plan to redo a lot of the presentations that were offered during conferences: FASFA, college readiness, dual credit, etc. January we will have an enrollment boot camp.

REPORTS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Andrea Binnicker welcome to everyone! Thank you to those that volunteered at the Patriots Club table during conferences. Thank you to the hospitality team for getting dinner together for the teachers during conferences. Thank you to those that helped with Homecoming with decorating and chaperoning at the dance! By the next meeting I would like to have the cage cleaned out and ideas for selling the remaining apparel. Report from the council meeting - Founders Day breakfast is scheduled for 2/3/22, Missouri PTA Convention is scheduled for 10/21 - 23/2022. Andrea introduced special guest, Bailey Higgins with Young Life Independence and she is the area director and team leader Amy Whines. They are happy to be here in Independence and offer support to teens and be onsite at events to draw kids into the program. StuCo president Mya Lyons attended and gave an update on events that are coming up. Excited that they had 800 kids attend Homecoming! Upcoming events 11/17 Dodging for Dollars at 7:00 pm, the donations will go to the Three Trails Camp as they have supported us so much. Supermarket Sweep will be coming up and will get items for Thanksgiving baskets for Harvesters and will also collect items during Pat Time starting 11/18. There will also be a Holiday Food Drive in December for Ronald McDonald House. Pack the House is scheduled for 12/17 with a Glow in the Dark theme and attendance at the game and your shirt are your ticket

to the dance. The game is at 7 and the dance will be immediately following. StuCo made a lot of money from ticket sales at the Homecoming dance and plan to purchase the black lights for the Pack the House Dance. Thanks for having me!

1st VP Fundraising: Robin Crick some ideas for fundraising would be to offer the remaining apparel at a reduced price and suggested offering Pioneer Ridge since it doesn't say Truman on it and they don't have any apparel. The Papa Murphy's pizza night has been rescheduled to 10/27 and you must order online to benefit Truman. We have a tentative date for McAllisters for Tuesday 11/30 and it is for all orders and we get 20%. Have a quote for the senior signs for \$6.75 each and would sell for \$10. We will offer business memberships for \$35 to the Patriots Club. Plan to see the name plates again. The head custodian will install. The cost for the name plates is \$7.50 and will sell them for \$20. There were 9 name plates sold in 2018 and 11 sold in 2019.

2nd VP Programs: Heather Kunkel no new report.

3rd VP Membership: Lisa Lily did the drawing for staff memberships for the gift cards. We currently have 70 members.

Reports of Committees

Project Prom: Julie Torpey talked about fundraising. The tentative date for prom is May 14th and it goes until 10 pm. Expect to have project prom start at 11 pm - 5 am. Seniors can bring a guest. Julie is making calls for pricing on different ideas.

Hospitality: Chick fil a was a hit with the teachers at the fall conferences. Taking suggestions for the spring conferences. We can put stuff in individual containers if we want to do something like that.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget for the 2021 - 2022 School year presented. Robin Crick proposed we adopt the proposed budget as presented and 2nd by Lisa Lily. There was some discussion of the funding of scholarships that the Patriots Club supports. A vote passed approving the budget.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

IMPORTANT DATES:

October

27 - Grad announcements - Cap & gown orders due

November

2 - No school

15 - PTSA meeting 6:45

Junior Class ring Ceremony

17 - StuCo Dodging for Dollars

24 - 28 Thanksgiving break