

PTA September Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

- July Meeting Minutes approved.
- Motion by Kim, seconded by John. Motion passed.

3. Family Sponsors

Interested families can sign up via the PTA website.

4. Treasury Report

- Preparing to file PTA financial review.
- Currently under budget.
- Fundraiser cost update coming soon.

5. Past Events Recap

Dino Compass

- Excellent attendance and positive feedback.
- Dr. Collier addressed many parent questions.
- **Opportunities for next year:**
 - Schedule earlier (before August).
 - Include more kid-friendly activities.

Back to School Night

- Over 85 PTA volunteer forms submitted.
- Candy was a hit with students.
- **Opportunities for next year:**
 - Provide more printed materials for families.
 - PTA funds cannot be used for gift cards, but donations were secured for teacher incentives.

Spirit Night at Skate City

- 93 skaters participated.
- Raised \$282.

Hospitality

- Coffee, cups, and bagels donated to teachers and staff.
- Ideas for future hospitality events? Connect with Jen.

6. 30-Day Outlook

Fundraiser

- Goal: \$68,000
- Supports: Specials, electives, grade-level grants, community events, integrated learning, and school upgrades.
- Communication:
 - Informational video by Nicole and Dr. Collier to be emailed in the 4th week of September.
 - Envelopes and details distributed at Parent-Teacher Conferences (Sep 29); others receive materials on Sep 30.
- Student Incentives:
 - Prizes for cumulative donations: \$10, \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125, \$150.
 - Prize distribution: Oct 8, 9, 10, and 15.
 - \$100+ = Pizza party.
 - \$150+ = Kickball game with faculty.
 - Top 3 earners = Special gift baskets.
 - Top earners get to pie faculty members.
 - Every \$10,000 raised = Pie a faculty member.
 - If goal is met = Sundae on Dr. Collier's head.
- **Volunteers needed:** Sign up via website or Facebook.

Dino Dash Fun Run

- October 10, 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM
- Students run or walk a mile by grade level.
- Top 3 boys and girls per grade recognized.
- Adults can sponsor students.
- **Volunteers needed:** Sign up via website or Facebook.
- **Deadline:** All money and tickets due by Oct 15.

7. 60-Day Outlook

Spirit Night

- Red Robin: November 9

Community Service

- **Food Drive:** November 11–14
- **Drop-off Date:** November 17
- Donations benefit the 27J Family Resource Center.
- NHS will assist.

8. 90-Day Outlook

Spirit Night

- Panda Express: December 19

K-5 Event

- Led by Nikki

Community Service

- **Winter Gear Drive:** December 9–12
- Exploring donation options in our district

9. Guest Speaker

- **Dr. Collier** spoke on Lockdown Drills.
- Referenced resources from “*I love u guys*” foundation: <https://iloveugays.org/>
- We follow the same lockdown drill protocol used by Adams 12 Five Star Schools
- Video – Example of a Lockdown Drill: <https://www.adams12.org/resources/safety-security/emergency-preparedness>
 - DMS follows similar lockdown drill protocols. There are slight differences between the video and what is done at DMS due to the video being filmed at a high school.
- For additional questions, contact a faculty member.