



FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL PTSO
NOVEMBER 13, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

PTSO Executive Board Attendees

Officers	Yes	No	Officers	Yes	No
Poppy Elliott , Co-President	X		Shamelle Silver , Co-President	X	
, Treasurer			C. Kelly Zehr , Secretary	X	
Ty-Wanna Cotten , Co-Membership	X		Monique Severino , Co- Membership	X	
Monique Thompson , VP Communications	X		Emma Milligan , Treasurer	X	
Administration			Anna Marie , Student Liaison	X	
Frank Chimel , FHS Principal	X		Joe DeRossa , Teacher Liaison		

Meeting begins 7:08 pm

Monique T. Advised bulletin board needs to be updated to current year

Welcome and introductions

Minutes

October minutes were reviewed Monique moved to approve, Shamelle seconded.

Bylaws

Section 5 article G, add VP Communications after Co-presidents.

Section 6 Article B, add VP Communications responsibilities.

Will have a second reading in December, Monique Thompson is filling the position.

Treasurer's Report

\$1258.35 beginning balance

NJ State fees \$50 budgeted, actual fee \$25.50

Membership budget is \$700, have \$900 so far.

Potential Treasurer Emma.

Moved to approve by Monique T., seconded by Ty-Wanna.

Membership Report by Monique S.

114 members, 50 staff will give website to Mr. Chimel so he can send it on to the teachers, he will also include it in a phone blast to parents. \$1455 membership right now, \$15 membership fee, \$5 goes to Project Graduation. Will send a check to them in the spring. Gave description of Project Grad. Project



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Grad has concession stand in Events Lobby after school - their big fundraiser. They sell on days there is a late bus, Tuesday to Thursday.

FHS Update by Mr. Chimel

EOS-Equal Opportunity Schools AP is better than Honors, EOS will help determine to find out if kids should be in AP classes. Only thing right now to decide this is the PSAT test. New program will determine other things. There are waivers if the student or family really wants to take an AP course. Summer Academy for AP classes to jump start for the year.

CEP - Concurrent Enrollment Program can get college credits.

AP have to pay for test, class is free. Just taking an AP class increases chance of bachelor's degree by 25%, taking the test increases chance to 50%.

CEP is \$200 to take class but student can get actual college credits.

Will have a parent assembly before scheduling.

Positivity in school, big push right now, addressing aesthetics in building such as painting. PBSIS slogan is Strength of the Warrior. Monday is Dress for Success Day, Wednesday is College Day, Friday is Franklin Friday. Staff, admin, and teachers can all give out Warrior tokens to students. Raffles each week for small items, larger raffles later for things such as tickets to dances, a yearbook, etc.

Blackhawk Helicopter is landing tomorrow. To show military education, students who signed up will tour during their PE class.

Somerset High School Principals - hosting the even for the first time since 2013, would like to get about \$30 from the PTO help pay for some breakfast. Hosting 12 people this Thursday at 9am. Wants bagels, greek yogurt, OJ, Box of Joe etc. Shamelle moved to donate \$100, all approved.

Grading scale adjusted to 60 as lowest passing grade from 67. The top ranked schools in NJ have lowest passing grade of 60, as do most schools in Somerset County. Athlete who gets 63 in FHS can't play but in other schools they can, this can lead to depression and kids drop out. This will improve school rankings and kids won't be going to charter schools. Wants to be in top 100 of schools in NJ by 2020.

Peer mentorship program - Warrior Peer Mentorship

Question - How do students get matched up? Anna Marie talked about how students selected for program and how they are paired with a survey.

Question - How is this different than Warriors Helping Warriors? That is typically for academics only. Wednesday, Thursday and Next week. Seniors Boot Camp for those who need help finishing up things, will phone blast to senior parents.

Remember November 21, and November 26 are minimum session days.

JROTC may be able to help with Somerset High School Principals meeting as some may be in uniform. They had received a 98% on their last inspection.

Intervention and Referral Services - INRS Review of tiers

When does FHS reach out to Middle School? 8th grade orientation in January.

Gave \$100 to Mr. Chimel for Principals meeting.



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New Business

Treasurer's read duties from Bylaws, Emma Milligan is interested Poppy nominated, Monique T. seconded, all approved.

Parent Teacher conferences December 3, 5th in afternoon, 4th in evening.

Ardaman is Board Liaison, she donated some to PTSO for Principals meeting.

Would like to do a community event in December instead of a formal meeting. For example, dinner at Stagehouse.

Thankful for Staff, December 18, drop off things on December 17th. Donate small dish, dessert, gift etc. to give to teachers. Way to Go Warriors. Drop off things Monday night 6:30 to 8:00pm at the events lobby.

Amazon Smiles, can connect the PTSO so we can get a portion of each sale through the Amazon Smiles site. Poppy needs to set up account first.

Don't forget to update Shop and Shop A+ Rewards

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.