

Freedom High School PTO Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2022 @ 7:30pm via Zoom

Wendy Simpson, PTO President

- Calls meeting to order at 7:32 pm
- Thanks everyone for coming tonight and thanks Ms. Sage for all her support this year.
- Thank you to the executive board; special thanks to Nikki and Jason Testa and Carmela Swenor for all they have done for the PTO over the years and wishes them well.
- Thank you to Lori Walker and Jessica Hancz for being our PAC reps.

Treasurer's Report: Jason Testa, Treasurer

- No new activity. Balance is \$5,366; waiting on some money from Little Caesars fundraiser.
- Motion to approve Treasurer's report: 1st by Lori Walker, 2nd by Kathleen Sweeney.

Secretary's Report: Kathleen Sweeney, Secretary

- Approval of April, 2022 meeting minutes
- Motion to Approve April Meeting Minutes: 1st by Nikki Testa, 2nd by Carmela Swenor.

Elections: 2022-2023 School Year Officers

Wendy Simpson announces incumbents/nominations for PTO for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year as follows:

Wendy Simpson, President

Kelly Burkhart, Vice President

Kathleen Sweeney, Secretary

Jessica Kalavoda, Treasurer

Nominations from the floor: None

Vote for slate of officers announced as no opposing candidates were nominated from the floor.

A hand vote was taken. All attendees were in favor of ballot, and all were formally elected.

Principal Report: Ms. Sage, Principal

- A lot going on this Spring. The musical was outstanding. Waiting on announcements for nominations for the Freddy awards on Thursday. WFMZ will be filming.
- Band, Orchestra, and Choir concerts were outstanding.
- Prom is on May 13 from 6-10 at Steel Stacks

- May 17th is election day and an Inservice day for teachers. No school.
- May 17 is the Academic Awards. We have 438 students getting an award.
- May 18 is the Diversity Awards at Northeast Middle School
- May 19 is the Art Show 6-7:30 pm in FHS Lobby
- Senior Finals are 5/25 & 5/26; make-up day is 5/27.
- Last full day for seniors is 5/24
- No school on Memorial Day, May 30th.
- Graduation Rehearsal on 6/3, 6/6, and 6/7.
- Graduation is 6/7 at 7pm at Stabler Arena
- Keystone Exams are May 18, 19, 20. Mailings went out and should say whether your child must take them.

Q: How long will graduation be and how can you ask for more tickets?

A: Graduation usually runs about 2.5 hours. It will be livestreamed on BASD YouTube channel.

Each student receives 6 tickets. Parents/guardians can request additional tickets from the Guidance office on a first come/first serve basis up until 6/6.

Q: How many credits are needed for graduation?

A: 26.5 to graduate

Guest Speaker - Trisha Moller, BASDProud Parents

- Spoke about the organization BASDPROUD Parents and how it is to inform parents of our school district and share information about local and state legislation.
- Supports full and fair funding of public schools
- Encourages parental involvement
- You can sign up for emails, alerts and information at BASDProudparents.org to stay connected.

New Business/Old Business:

- Teacher Appreciation lunch will be held on Friday, May 20th. The BASD Food Truck will be serving lunch. Please be on the lookout for a link where you can donate lunch for a special teacher(s) or just to donate.
- Community Service hours are available at the Spring Garden Fair happening on May 13th 3:30-8pm
- Wendy thanks everyone for a great school year. Meeting adjourned