



City High-Middle PTSA (PTCC)

ZOOM Meeting ID# 300 848 5660, Passcode: i6f292
Membership Meeting • 7 p.m. - 8 p.m., December 16, 2020

Prior to Meeting

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Agenda

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, Establish a Quorum - 14 attendees at 7:02 pm,**
2. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** - motion to approve, seconded.
3. **Approval of Current Agenda** (*additions, changes*) - Motion to approve, seconded. Approved agenda.
4. **Executive Board updates**
 - a. **Funding requests** - one came in between meetings, Student Ambassadors “City Adventures” scavenger hunt program. The executive board approved up to \$500.
 - b. **Community Cares giving** - line item was increased in the regular budget for this year to \$1200. So far we’ve spent \$500 on Meijer gift cards. \$700 still available and will probably be needed later in the year.
 - c. **Nominating Committee needed for 2 board positions, Secretary and VP (Beth)** - we’ll seek out committee members to get this going.
 - d. **Treasurer** says the EE incentives voted on in Nov. were taken advantage of and sent out.
 - e. Let’s recognize Lori Box as our **web master!** Our cityptsa.com site is upgraded, updated, and much more useful! Check out the link to the orchestra concert recently added.
5. **CHMS Administrator Updates - Mr. Huppert, Principal**
 - a. City Ambassadors came up with this “get outside” adventure to boost mental wellness.
 - b. 7th graders may have noticed teachers sending out some treat bag dropoffs.
 - c. Official results from SAT not yet, but average scores around same as last year, which was #1 in the state last year! Great news for students looking for scholarships, etc.
 - d. Holiday theater production is online with PTSA help! Friday and Sat., 7pm, Sun. 2pm! \$10/ticket.

- e. Virtual Work Zone - adult tutoring, Mr Brace and Mrs Miller to help. MW Math; TTh anything. Not a big turnout yet - just started last week.
 - f. Added Time Slot - now students can check in w admin 12:15-1:15, link in google classroom to pop in.
 - g. Return to Learn Plan - Health Dept guidelines, Jan 19th in-person/hybrid for 6th, 7th, 8th. Highschoolers determination hopefully soon after that. Same schedule till then. Cohort A M&T, Wed. cleaning, ThF Cohort B in person. **You can make changes by emailing Ms. Albin in the office.**
- 6. Student Ambassadors/City Adventures - this is the last week.**
- a. Angela and Mr Huppert shared what they know about the program.
 - b. Jamie Bott shared that her daughter is now a student ambassador. Recognizing and proud of the kids reaching out to the 7th graders - getting lots of response.
 - c. PTSA wants to recognize the thank you notes we're getting from City Adventures winners - pretty nice!
- 7. Committee Reports (if any) - we requested reports by email from lots of clubs, etc.**
- a. Theater: Jamie Bott, parent coordinator for musical theater. Working with long-term parent coordinator, Beth Cranson. Around 40 kids auditioned and everyone has a role in some way. Mrs Degenhardt composing interlude music. Since no stage hand roles, other things to do. Good sponsorship responses still. The kids are making "commercials" for the sponsors instead of a paper program listing - fun! \$10 at Booktix. Invite your out-of-towners! View a clip tomorrow. Only HS in district doing a production. Post on your personal FB page. Can we see the rest of the audience when we watch? Mr Huppert asks that they share info after to help the kids know how many tix sold, etc.
 - b. More updates from other clubs/cmtes may be attached to the minutes later on.
- 8. Questions and Answers**
- a. Grades for band - Mrs. Vermeer out on maternity leave. Students can see their grades with their long term sub's system. City admin adding in by hand - will be in gradebook soon.
 - b. Change our choice to hybrid or virtual? Yes, email Ms. Albin, albina@grps.org.
 - c. What has state decided - is vaccine mandatory or optional? No, Mr Huppert hasn't heard yet.
 - d. National PTA says states CAN make it mandatory with exceptions allowed.
 - e. Biden's plan says teachers are 3rd in line for vaccines as essential workers.
 - f. 2 things: Metrics dashboard and state health dept. Used in district deciding what we do next.
- 9. Adjournment at 7:40 pm. Happy holidays and see you January 2021!**

***Written reports received for December:**

Every month, we allow meeting time for PTSA committee updates and reports. We want to extend that invitation beyond PTSA committees to include after school clubs, student advisors and reps or YOU: share some good news, interesting projects, challenges, needs, mental health tips, books or films that have sparked a great discussion or other things going on at Clty you

want people to know about.

You're not required to attend our monthly zoom meeting (but it would be great if you did); just send a very brief written update ahead of time to president@cityptsa.com - we can share it for you at the meeting if there's time or add your written blurb to our meeting minutes.

E3 Specialist

Hello!

I just wanted to let everyone know that I have returned from maternity leave and am a proud mama to a precious baby girl named Emery. I am so ready to be back to supporting our students! Whether we remain virtual or are back in person after winter break, I will again begin offering therapy services to students who may need additional mental and emotional health support. Additionally, we just launched "Wellness Wednesdays" during WorkZone. Each week, we will use games and activities to focus on various topics, such as the importance of self-care, mindfulness, coping skills, gratitude, and much more! We know virtual learning might be stressful at times, and we hope that Wellness Wednesdays will allow students to focus not only on being successful academically, but also emotionally and mentally!

Thank you!
Rebecca Back

City Admin:

Administrators will be adding weekly office hours for students.

12:15-1:15 Mon-Thurs

Mon-Huppert

Tues-VanderVliet

Wed-Modzeleski

Thurs-Antuma

Students will be able to access the admin office hours through the google meet link on the school wide google classroom.

Speech and Debate:

In Speech and Debate. Just finished the state debate season: our middle school team (Sam Ostrow & Alex Byrnes) finished first. Our High School Novice team (Miller Broughton and Vishnu Mano) fell in the finals. Vishnu also placed 2nd in Speaker points.

Thursday: we will have a kick-off meeting of those interested in the competitive speech/forensics part of speech and debate. These contests take place in late winter and spring.

Bill Harris

Next Meeting is January 20, 2021 at 7pm

Please use this [link](#) to submit questions in advance of the Jan. meeting.