



**Meeting Date:** October 14, 2025

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** Troy Union Media Center

**Agenda:**

1. Welcome and Introductions – Stefanie Feustel, PTO President
2. Central Office Update
  - Smith is coming along well; on track to open 26/27
  - All elementaries have new furniture and playgrounds
  - School district will be sending out a survey about the playgrounds in the spring
  - Athens and Troy High updates to fields coming along
  - This school year updates to Athens for the new academic wing will begin
  - In Fall 2026, Boulton is on track to be updated; Fall 2027 is Larson
  - Budget was only passed in the last few weeks
    - Enrollment is currently declining (consistent with what was projected)
    - Updates have made to staffing using attrition
    - Looking to continue to use school of choice to offset enrollment declines
    - With the budget, the school district will be gaining about \$500k after all is said in done for the budget
  - District will be starting a school finance engagement group with community members, families, and staff with people to represent each school
  - Website updates to make things more ADA compliant
    - Website will be adding a data dashboard with information on various topics and is set to launch in October and fully launch by November
  - TU is being recognized as an Apple Distinguished School (1 of 7 in the state)
  - Board of Education is reading the "Disengaged Teen" if you want to partake
  - Double split confirmed for Troy Union students sectioned to go to Smith with no option to choose to go to Larson
3. Principal's Message - Mike Cottone, Troy Union Principal
  - Fifth grade camp is this week; kids are having fun
  - Thank you for support with the Fun Run
    - Some of the changes made this year seemed to really help
    - Community seemed to be more present this year
    - This was one of the highest fundraising years we've had
    - Fun Run by the numbers:
      - \$29,070 was raised online
      - In-school was \$9,132

- Total raised of \$38,202.75
- Net Profit is \$35,931.75
- Fall Fair went well
  - Book fair brought in 2/3 of what it has in the past while only running it for 2 hours
  - Looking at options for the spring (possibly during conferences)
    - Amanda and Lindsay willing to assist

#### 4. Teacher's Report - Michele Fredericks, Teacher Representative

- Thank you for the food during conferences!

#### 5. Treasurer's Report - Somin Kim, PTO Treasurer

- Lindsay to send out the PDFs with the meeting minutes
- September Transactions: Amanda makes motion to approve; Danielle with second
- Fun Run money will be in the budget for October

#### 6. Secretary's Report – Lindsay Szela, PTO Secretary

- Follow ups from last meeting complete; shared list of possible items to be sponsored/receive grants

#### 7. Committee Reports

- School Supply Kits – Amanda Harrison
  - i. Signed agreement for next year
- Bagel Fridays –Krystal Thompkins
  - i. Bagel Friday is this Friday!
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Sweatshirts – Syeda Ali
  - i. All set and distributed
- Fall Festival – Lindsay Szela
  - i. Went well and had good turnout
  - ii. Book Fair was a hit
- Fun Run – Stefanie Feustel
- Picture Day – Stefanie Feustel
  - i. Went well; waiting on pictures
- Trunk or Treat – Amber Barbieri and Tamira Thomas
  - i. 21/35 trunks taken with 20 candy donations and 16 non-candy donations
  - ii. Dairy Queen will be donating cones (asked for recognition on Facebook and via email)
  - iii. Blow up decorations have been donated
  - iv. Theme is "Light Up the Night"
  - v. Grand prize in the works
    - 1. Will be using QR codes to vote

#### 8. Old Business

- September meeting minutes were approved by Kristyn VanDahm and seconded by Amber Barbieri.
- Special addition shirts: Leanne provided some proto-type shirts to share with the group; will continue to work on options
- Kindergarten shirts: Amber has found 3 donors willing to donate \$200 each. How many donors are we willing to have?

#### 9. New Business

- Ball for All in works; potential date of 1/29
  - i. Would be free to attend
  - ii. Snacks/drinks for purchase
  - iii. Would take place in gym and cafeteria
- Father's Day/Father Activity
  - i. Some fathers/male figures are looking for a comparable item for dads like those provided to moms (such as the Mom Spa in first grade or the cookies and tea in kindergarten). This would only be for the younger grades. Michele to talk to the teachers to see if there is a possibility for something for dads/male figures
- Executive committee needs to determine if the next meeting is open to the public or not (will need a budget beforehand if its open to the public)

Adjourned by Leanne

Seconded by Stefanie