

PTSO Meeting Thursday, April 12, 2022

Attendance:

Brett Wilson - Principal
Kari Gardner - Counselor
Julie Faure
Jenica Barber
Nancy Frahm
Allison Jones
Terry Warren

UPDATES:

Principal Brett Wilson

Communication between AMES and Cottonwood has been difficult regarding testing days. Mr. Wilson is working on better communication, not only with CHS, but with students and parents. He and counselors are working with seniors to complete credits. ACT went well and was online. The average score was 24.5 (2 points above Utah average and 4 points higher than national average).

Important Dates:

- Aspire testing for 9th and 10th graders starts on **April 22**
- Prom is on Saturday, **April 23** at Publik - **All** students are welcome to attend (tickets can be purchased in AMES office)
- There will be an earthquake drill on Thursday, **May 5**
- AP tests are scheduled for **May 2-13**
- **May 6** will be a teacher training day, **No school for students** other than those taking AP tests
- Senior presentation and banquet are Thursday, **May 19**
- Graduation Party is **May 26**
- End of school BBQ is on **May 27** 10:30-12:30
- Graduation is on **May 27** in the Cottonwood auditorium

AMES Counselor Kari Gardner

The counselors are behind with CCRP's (College, Career Readiness Plan) for 11th graders and will be starting with those who are behind in graduation requirements. They will also be working on invitations for senior presentations.

PTSO treasurer Jenica Barber

Only \$50 was raised since last meeting. We are working on moving the PTSO under the AMES Foundation umbrella so that PTSO donations are tax deductible, the PTSO can purchase insurance for events, and we can help the Foundation raise money for AMES.

Senior party: Jenica has been working hard organizing the party and finding volunteers to help out. Most volunteer positions are filled. **We need a parent volunteer to query and collect donations of items for the raffle.**

AMES/Cottonwood Environmental Club

Parent and PTSO volunteer, **Allie Jones**, has helped create an environmental club this year. We are hoping that more students will sign up next year as the club will be officially offered as a club option for students.

They are hard at work recycling, helping reduce waste and working on alternatives to single use plastics and styrofoam.

PTSO VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND EVENT PLANNING:

Julie will create a Sign-Up Genius for the following three events with which we will need parent help:

1. 1-4 parent chaperones for Prom April 23, 2022
2. 2 volunteers to provide non-perishable snacks for AP tests (May 2 and May 9)
3. 12 volunteers to help End-of-Year BBQ (May 27)

Graduation party: We need a parent volunteer to query and collect donations of items for the raffle

We are looking for someone interested in fundraising for AMES Foundation and PTSO

For next school year, we would like to encourage volunteers to take on specific roles within the PTSO. Please let Julie know if you are interested in a particular role.

CHANGE: Next meeting will be Thursday, May 5 on Zoom (7:30-8:30pm)