

Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO)

Thursday, May 4, 2023

7:30 PM

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88425907409?pwd=L3NwaUtFUGhHR2c1dG10czRydHhXZz09>

Meeting ID: 884 2590 7409 - Passcode: 124843

Meeting called to order: 7:35 pm

Members Present: Brett Wilson, Jenean Goodsell, Kari Gardner, Allison Jones, Julie Faure, Jenica Barber, Nancy Frahm, Mary Paul, Kelly Johnson

***AMES UPDATES:**

- **Principal** - Brett Wilson

Last week has been successful in getting senior students motivated to turn in work. Awards ceremony will be done as an assembly - nominated by the teacher on Monday May 30th 11:15am. Parents will be notified soon if their student will be receiving an award. Three principal scholarship winners, Al Church award winners and counseling scholarships have been selected. PTSO scholarship process is underway. PTSO can decide how they would like these presented. Congratulations to the Rotary scholarship winners: Kirath Makhar and Abdul Ayubi. Thank you to the Rotary for keeping AMES in the loop. Caps and gowns will only be given to students that have finished graduation requirements. Finals go through May 26th. Have partnered with Granite & Cottonwood with a new app for staff to alert when there is a direct threat to the school to make the best choices for community safety (lock down or evade). Will be tested soon in an active shooter drill.

- **Counselors** – Stephanie Southwick and Kari Gardner

Finalizing a few final junior meetings and U of U orientations are complete. Still taking some course requests. Waiting on Cottonwood Schedule in order to build ours. Hopefully schedules will be released in June. Assisting in proctoring AP tests. Working with Seniors to help finalize graduation requirements.

***PTSO BUSINESS:**

Treasurer: Jenica Barber

\$761 - paypal donations, One donation was specifically in honor of teacher appreciation. Teacher appreciation and grad night payments are in progress or coming up. Need RSVPs for Senior Party as soon as possible to budget correctly for the party.

There are two PTO closets in Skunkworks. Keys are with Mr. Wilson if access is needed. One is tricky to open. Lift the shelf to release the door. Make sure to check there before buying new supplies.

Coordinate with Jenean moving forward if supplies like plates or basic supplies are running low.

***AMES Upcoming Events & Volunteer Needs**

- Friday, May 5th - [College Forum](#)
- Monday, May 8th - Friday, May 12 - [AP testing](#)
- Monday, May 8th - Friday, May 12 - [Teacher Appreciation Week](#)

- Thursday, May 18th - **Senior Presentations.**
- Monday, May 29th - Memorial Day - **NO SCHOOL**
- Wednesday, May 31st - **AMES Graduation** (Cottonwood Auditorium) - No air horns or confetti shooters allowed
- Thursday, June 1st - **END OF YEAR BBQ & Last day, Yearbook distribution**
- Thursday, June 1st - Senior Party - Zion Center, 6 pm - 9:30 pm

***Event Coordinators**

- **PTSO Scholarships** - Tia Weiler
- **Teacher Appreciation** - Meg Dean, Rachel Bremer, Marcia Durkin - Plans are underway.
- **Graduation Updates** - Nancy Frahm, Heather Haley & Stacey Arens
Need more raffle donations. Will send up a sign up genius for donations recruitment for the raffle. Reach out to Nancy if you have any ideas. Currently have 6 but would rather have 15 or 20. Food will be by Miguel Guzman. Need accurate attendee count - **PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY!!**
- **End of School BBQ** - Allie Jones, Sian Bennett, Marcia Durkin - Sign up coming soon!
School has two BBQS can be used for this. Perhaps there is a parent who could be willing to lend another one to speed cooking. Cottonwood kitchen takes care of the food. Priority on using up what we have for plates and silver and then when ordering next try for compostable plates and bamboo forks.
- **Breakfasts for AP tests** - Pam Garringer

Website update: Mary Paul -

- **The PTSO website needs April & May updates**
- **The PTSO website needs a page for the foundation**
- **Jenean and Julie will meet with Mary about these and other planning issues for the website**

Parent Questions, Discussion, and Suggestions

How many people allowed at graduation per graduate? No limit! Capacity is 5000 people.

These events are provided with the help of your donations to the PTSO. We aim to raise \$25 per student enrolled at AMES in order to fund the activities we organize. 100% of the funds we raise and the work we do goes directly to support the AMES students and teachers!

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