



**AMS PTSA MEETING MINUTES  
10/10/2023**

**Meeting called to order** at 6:59pm

**Attendees:** Heather Schneider, Mike Ross, Dawn Banks, Julie McKeeman, Gale Tosto, Andrea Raiford, Kimbley Griffin, Amanda Knapp, Veronica Mille

**Approval of Previous Meeting minutes**

- Review of meeting minutes from September 19, 2023. Motion to approve by Kelley Smith and seconded by Andrea Raiford. Minutes approved as presented.

**President Report, Heather Schneider**

- **Vikingfest** - 2 baskets not claimed, so we picked 2 new winners. Next year include more instructions to write name and number on tickets. 565 tickets for Day in the D fund.
- **Missed the PTSA Council night** because it was the same night as Vikingfest.
  - Off to the Races - March 1st
  - New Safety committee
  - November 3rd Caring and Sharing - collecting money

**Vice President's Report, Kelley Smith**

- Chipotle restaurant night, December 5th 4-10

**Treasurer's Report, Gale Tosto**

- September Monthly Report
  - Ending Balance as of 9/30/23 \$12,547.48

**Principal Report, Mike Ross**

- Thursday and Friday - SEL initiative "Know Your Classmates"
- Last week, school safety presentation, next week is School Safety Week, including ALICE protocols
- Sgt Arney and Mr. Ross doing online safety training-zooming into homerooms
- Counseling groups starting this week
  - Girls Empowerment (10 students)
  - Take 5 (10 students)
- Caring and Sharing form has been changed
  - District initiative for district families

**Teacher Representative Report, Amanda Knapp**

- Thank you for DEI shirt fundraiser
- No funding request yet

**Standing Committees**

- Membership - 80
- Reflections - show reflections videos during morning announcements

### **Old Business:**

- Fundraiser spending - \$3000 earmarked
- Words of Hope for Life - will be able to schedule this fall  
Data is 995, Presentations are \$595 each and 45 minutes each (\$2700 for all grades)  
Gale Tosto motions to approve no more than \$3000 to provide a Words of Hope for Life assembly.  
Kelley Pavelich-Smith seconds. All in favor.
- Funding Request - Amanda Knapp 7 Habits Project - awaiting detailed proposal

### **New Business**

- **Funding request: Theresa Cabalum, \$250 for UMatter bracelets**
- Amanda Knapp motions to approve spending up to \$250 for UMatter bracelets, seconded by Mike Ross.  
All in Favor
- Kelley Smith motions to approve spending up to \$100 for UMatter materials, seconded by Veronica Miller. All in Favor
- Restarted DEI Media Center Fundraiser
  - Shirts and button on Memberhub
- Need chairs for Conference snacks and DEI Rep
- Nov 13th is Random Acts of Kindness week

**Motion to adjourn meeting** at 7:25 by Andrea Raiford seconded by Dawn Banks

Next PTSA Meeting: November 14th

**Minutes submitted for approval by Julie McKeeman, AMS PTSA Secretary**