

Doherty High School
SAC/PTSA Meeting Minutes
September 9th, 2019

Combined SAC and PTSA

1. 10 parents, 2 students, Mr. Gardner
2. August Meeting Minutes -- Approved
3. Good things happening:

Football game – halftime was great.

Band new uniforms were great. Instructor taking band to a great direction.

Need to find out about announcement at Football game; interfered by band.

Mullen – gave props via social media about the student section and school spirit

Race for the Cure – DHS students were part of it.

Parent kudos: fabulous job having students stand up during open house to talk about the school. It was well orchestrated. Having classes first thing in the morning. It's completely different from the school they came from. Suggestion: add something for other grade levels for first thing in the morning. Keep some options for all students.

Open house was awesome. Ensure to let parents be made aware that they are important in this equation to getting our kids out of the house. Maybe have an incentive to have parents come in (ex: teachers give extra credit/points).

Cross country Meet: a student wallet was lost in the parking lot. Someone from the football team turned it in and everything was still in the wallet.

Student Council

1. Activities/Events:

Council members are doing posters to announce homecoming.

Council members will be visiting middle schools on 09/17

2. Upcoming Dates:

HOCO INFO::

Week: 09/16-21st

Theme: Tarzan

Tickets go on sale on the 12th: \$25 presale; \$30 door

09/16 - handing out string bags

09/19 – Bonfire from 6-9ish; close to baseball/softball field.

09/20 – Assembly will be outside on the upper football field. Senior on bleachers and under classman on field. Presentation will be in between.

Homecoming game; court will be walking under ROTC swords & winner will be announced; Tarzanish theme.

09/21 – Dance from 8-11 pm

Spirit week:

Monday: Jumble in the jungle – mix match

Tuesday: Peace in the jungle – hippie

Wednesday: Jammies in the jungle – pajama day

Thursday: Spartan safari – Tourists

Friday: Spartan blue/green – spirit day

09/12 – volleyball game

09/25-26 – seniors voting on song and motto; song will be graduation song. Song: will draw an initial ballot. Then will draw another ballot with more popular songs.

3. Promotion Plans:

-Parking spaces: parking applications will be available on Wednesday 09/11 @330pm. They will be due on Tuesday 09/17. Lottery and winners announced on Wednesday 09/18; lottery will be taken care of by staff. Confirmation form and payments due on Wednesday 09/25 @330. Painting day will be Saturday 09/28 @9am.

SAC

1. DAC report: update on strategic plan. Dr. Thomas looking into a 5yr plan on facilities and academics. Will be getting feedback from communities to see which way to take the schools. Implement dual emercion: having students being duallingual Doing a study of why students are leaving D11 and implementing changes to retain students within district. Getting some continuity to follow students from elementary, middle and high school; feeder schools. Concurrent enrollment will be growing. Enrollment #s district wise was not as projected but it was still low enrollment wise.

DAC meets on 3rd Thurs of every month @TESLA from 6-8pm

2.

Election Plans: suggestion to attend several meetings to see if it's something they would like to do. Current officers will get together and put together a description of what is required.

District SAC training 09/26: if planning to attend need to RSVP. 6-8pm. Invite will be sent out to emails on file.

AST/Grades: athletic study tables – athletes are assigned to them when they have a D or F. Will be done during lunch. Form sent with student is very informative. Need to notify teachers that they have to put in grades otherwise it affects the students.

Principal's Report

- Budget: general school operations. Spreadsheet is uploaded into DHS website. There's 2 budgets that Mr. Gardner takes care of. If further info is needed, can contact Mr. Gardner for more transparency.

- Enrollment right at projection – 1,954.

- SPF: school performance framework – looks at different indicators. The biggest indicator is the college board assessment. This year there was a pretty significant decline in performance. Oct – PSAT, there will be a special schedule. Next one will be in the spring. The roll out of the alignment program starting this year. There will not be improvement but will be performing with new guidelines. SAT performance dropped statewide. Pre-Ap and alignment is the plan to align to the standards of CO. Everything that has been put into place in the past 3yrs is in accordance with the plan; has been putting DHS in line.

- USIP: has to have a draft in by this Friday, Sept 13th. Will bring the draft in to share with PTA/SAC and help approve or add/remove. Every teacher needs to submit an individual growth plan during their evaluation. Teachers need to have an awareness of what the students need to grow. Will see this next month – 10/14

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PTSA

April 18th-19th 2020 in Loveland Embassy Suites, PTA convention

1. President's Report: see below.....

27 members. In order to have a 10% improvement need 5 new members and 5% need 2 new members.

2. Membership Report: n/a

-- needs to do report

3. Treasurer's Report: \$1528.63 in checking and \$100.53 in savings.

Cleared: deposit of membership dues.

Audit is ready to go and be submitted.

Budget: draft will be brought next meeting.

4. Other:

-PTA Fall training: folder w/PTA meetings. BOGO cards – staff meeting on 10/02 @315. Staci and Amy will attend. El Paso County PTA hosts this training every year. Cost: \$5. There is training all through-out the year.

-Facebook grant: this will be the 2nd year doing this. 1st one was held in April 2019. DHS got the purpose of it and the rep from the grant offered another grant to DHS. TENTATIVE DATE: Thursday, Nov 14th, 2019

Will schedule a meeting to discuss how to move forward w/getting event put together. Some things to discuss: better description of event, peach jar announcement to middle schools/high school.

-School of Excellence: have to do a survey before end of November. Will send one out: email and paper. Survey will help pick topic of focus.

It's about how you come together to give your families what they need.

FYI: Parent/Teacher conferences – October 24 & 25.

NEXT MEETING: Due to school not being in session on Oct 14th, October's meeting is TBA. Please refer to your email with updated date. Also, follow Doherty High School Parents on FB for updated date – LOCATION: TEACHER'S LOUNGE