**MINUTES: TCA PTO Meeting September 19, 2023 at 7pm**

1. Call meeting to order 7pm
2. Attendance: 23 present, including TCA Staff, TCA Board Member, PTO Officers, and Parents
3. Opening Prayer
4. Thank you to Mrs. Harris for helping with students last month during PTO Meeting!!
5. Secretary Report- Alesha
	1. Minutes from last month meeting were NOT presented AT the meeting. We will present them in the future. A motion was made to accept the minutes from 8/28 as written. Second, all are in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.
6. Treasurer Report -Stella
	1. Stella and Laura will be signers on the account. The account is still in the same place as last month. No monies have been spent since the last report. No questions.
7. Old Business
	1. Spiritwear Sales – the orders are in to Advertise It to begin filling. They are hoping to have them out in the next two weeks or so but Mrs. Keely will send out a message when they have arrived at the school.
	2. Ben made mention that if anyone outgrows their spiritwear, they donate them to the school and the school can give them to folks who may not have the funds to purchase
8. New Business
	1. Boston Butt sale is through BOD, please share! Deadline 9/27
		1. All funds are going straight to the van sale 100%
		2. How much is the profit per butt? Avg cost $20/butt and suggesting a $45 donation for them. Also have to figure in cost of cooking supplies and a fee towards the person who will cook them.
		3. Over $8000 raised last year during this event, though it was run different
	2. Order forms went home with students today for the car wash tickets with Tidal Wave
		1. Proceeds will go toward the van purchase
	3. Join Tillery Christian Academy PTO on Facebook for updates!!
	4. Campus beautification club requesting donations:
		1. 4 Large 20”x16.75” entranceway planters (clay colored)
		2. Bags of Miracle Grow soil
		3. gardening tools (trowels, cultivator, transplanter)
		4. 12 pair of gardening gloves for students
		5. ground cover plants or small shrubs
	5. Mrs. McIntyre to explain School Board and PTO partnership
		1. Board and PTO and School are all aligning goals
		2. Board’s main fundraising goal is to be able to purchase the school van ASAP
		3. Board will have the two main fundraisers during the year and the PTO will support the fundraisers (Fall Boston Butts and Spring Golf Tourney)
		4. How does the PTO generate income without fundraisers? The Board Marketing Committee and the PTO will work hand in hand to generate sponsorships to facilitate relationships with local businesses and individual philanthropists. A share of those proceeds will come to the PTO, though a percent split has not been decided at this time.
			1. Suggestions on businesses or individual philanthropists to reach out to for sponsorship
			2. PTO is not ruling out fundraisers! Please still share your ideas!
	6. Open floor for comments
		1. Ideas for fundraiser: Chickfila spirit night, PTO be involved somehow with Memorial Baptist Trunk or Treat (Oct 24th)
		2. Do we want to invite Pastor Jon to join us at our PTO meetings? Maybe officers can meet with him and then invite him to join us.
9. Next Meeting - Vote
	1. Two options:
		1. Continue with every month Dinner at 6:30, Meeting 7pm
		2. Drop down to every other month Dinner at 6, Meeting at 6:30 but understanding that committee work must happen
			1. Would still alternate between Tuesdays and Thursdays
			2. Committees will create their own schedules based on their needs and what projects are happening
	2. Motion to accept option ii. by Sarah, 2nd Laura, all in favor, no opposition, motion carries
		1. The old schedule will be removed from social media and new dates will be given
10. Breakout committees: Begin discussing the PTO current needs in small groups
	1. If you want to be a part of any of these small groups PLEASE reach out to Mrs. Keely, Mrs. Nordan, or any PTO Officer (Ben Parry, Laura Weathers, Stella Shorts, Alesha Reeves)
		1. Playground Improvements
		2. TCA Staff Appreciation
		3. Marketing/Community Outreach
		4. Student Service/Mission Projects
11. Adjournment 8:01pm