Central Academy of Technology & Arts PTSO

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday Feb 3, 4:30 Fishbowl

**2024-2025 PTSO Board Members**

President – Kaylee Meyer

Vice President – Latha Baddigam

Secretary – Shirley Xu

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Communication – Bejal Mehta

Hospitality- Jenn Monahan, Erika Leon,

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Fundraising – Noelle Picozzi,

Martha Zapata

Website - Tammy Hall, Helen Thomas

Senior- Kristen Manning, Tammy Hall

Sports- Mikie Carter, Fara Orr

At Large- Jay Rajesh, Jen Sanders,

Jana Caballero

Staff Liaison – Deb Christensen

Principal – Kevin Beals

Teachers- Amanda Mims,

Students- Navneesh Annadi,

Isabel Jeby, Nuha Mehdi,

Vishi Gupta

**Approve Minutes of Jan Meeting --** Approved

**Principal’s Report**

* 2025-2026 class registration is now open. Students meet counselors as early as Wednesday (Feb 5).
* First semester academic results are out and we try our best to keep students on track for graduation requirements.
* Safety: over 94% from teachers’ survey
* Safety assessment: The safety committee has been very helpful to keep our environment safe. A few areas are identified for further improvement.
* Teacher survey shows CATA is a great place for learning (about 98%)

**Student Reps**

**Calendar**

* Senior breakfast Fri Feb 7
* Follow Sports calendar
  + Spring season opening Feb 12th.

**Financial Report**

* Changes to Sports and Senior totals to be put as general fund and invest.

**Old Business**

* Graduation shop to benefit scholarship
  + Brand new items are on, including Digital announcement, roses, thank-you cards, selling fans on graduation day.
* Academy shirts to benefit Invest/ Invest in Excellence tiered gifting for donation (like Weddington, items one at $50 one at $75 both at $100)

**New Business**

* Changes in Classroom Grants project
  + 15 teachers and staff won the grants this year
  + Try to get more teachers/staff join the program next year
* Changes for Senior packages
  + Get T-shirts for seniors a bit earlier this year.
  + Sports and senior packages re-set at the same time.
* Senior scholarship opening date and search for volunteers
  + Try to get students in earlier this year
  + Need 3 parent volunteers
* Invest next project to fund Theater and Pre-engineering
  + Only heard from Pre-engineering so far: $439.00 for IED class.
  + For the seniors in that class: coins as a reminder of CATA ( $237.00 for a set of 35 coins) -- Approved

**Committees**

* Fundraising
  + Called Chick-fil-A Wesley Chapel, they said they cannot go outside of their designated zone according to their corporate policy and store owners’ agreement. The Monroe store responded that they don’t host community events. Will further follow up with Wesley Chapel store or even Chick-fil-A corporate for solution.
  + 27th Feb Fundraiser Day at Jersey Mike’s stores in Westley Chapel & Monroe
  + Considering another Fundraising Day with “Nothing bundt Cake” in May for Mother’s Day
  + Martha will follow up on ice skating discount
* Hospitality
* Scholarship
* Senior
  + Feb 7, Friday, 8:15-9:00 “Love our Seniors” breakfast event
  + Meeting next week to talk about planning
* Sports
  + Finish contracting concession stand to open for all sports
  + Started sports newsletter.
  + We have the power store, accessory store. To add PJ pants
  + Clear-bag policy might be changed to No-bag policy.
  + Work with Athletic gear: Spring sales to start.
  + Feb 10: coaches meeting
  + Feb 12: sports for all families mandatory
  + Feb 12: spring sprots kick-off,
  + Feb 26: opening night for baseball game – throw the first ball. Opening day: games about 1 hour, games for students to play, food, music (sound system has been installed. Need to get Sports parents volunteers. Excited to partner with the Senior committee to make a nice package.
  + Trees have been planted out there, only two eaten by the deer
  + Will work on the missing banners for the wrestling team.
  + Two things to vote for budgeting:
    - Men’s Swimming Team won their championship: making championship T-shirts for them (shouldn’t be over $200) -- Approved
    - Wrestling Team will go to regional: Need to book 4 hotel rooms total: $515.28 -- Approved
* Website/Communications

**Adjournment**

**Next Meeting March 3**