## TCA September 9, 2022 PTO Kickoff Meeting Minutes

- \*\* Donuts graciously provided by Krispy Kreme Donuts

  \*\* Coffee graciously provided by Mission Coffee
- ♦ 8:30am Start time for meeting after a brief "Getting to know You" conversational game. Approximately 35 attendees (not including children) at the meeting.
- ♦ Welcome and Introductions from Kennedy Peters, PTO Vice President.
- ♦ Update from Mrs. Wilkewitz, Assistant Principal: She was happy to see us all, and introduced us to "Apology Cards", which she uses with students. She will get information out to parents in the next newsletter about how she uses them.
- ♦ Update from Mrs. Curtis, Librarian: Grandparents Day is coming up on September 15, and more volunteers are needed. Click this link to volunteer. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094daaa72ca6fd0-grandparents
- There are about 600 books ready to be adopted, which will then be put into circulation in the library, and kids love their adopted books! \$10 is the minimum donation for a book.
- ♦ Update from Mr. Simpson, Advancement Office- Great news! Last year was the biggest giving year ever, although it can't be counted as such due to one of the donations from one of the grandparents of 1.5 million dollars for a sports complex. So it counts as the second biggest donation year. Thank you for your generosity!
- ♦ April 2022 Meeting minutes and upcoming PTO dates Approved PTO dates are:

Date	Time
September 9, 2022	8:30-9:30a m
October 21, 2022	8:30-9:30a m
November 11, 2022	8:30-9:30a m
January 20, 2023	8:30-9:30a m

February 10, 2023	8:30-9:30a m
March 10, 2023	8:30-9:30a m
April 14, 2023	8:30-9:30a m

♦ Discussion of changing SAW to SAM (Staff Appreciation Month) and discussion of needing leaders to coordinate staff lunches on the following dates:

Date
Tuesday, April 11, 2023- Leader needed
Thursday, April 13, 2023- Leader needed
Tuesday, April 18, 2023- Leader needed
Thursday, April 20, 2023- Leader needed
Thursday, April 27, 2023- Leader needed

- ♦ Fundraising update, Stephanie Alber, Fundraising Coordinator
  In-and-Out, our smash hit tailgating fundraiser from last year, is back again! Tickets
  MUST BE PURCHASED BY MONDAY SEPT 12!!!!
- ♦ SPIRITWEAR SALES CLOSE MONDAY SEPT 12! Spiritwear sales are online only.
- ♦ Discussed by-law changes making the May meeting optional. Approved.
- ♦ Two Funds requests were approved by the membership:
  - Approved a request from Mrs. Heeter and Ms. Edwards to purchase 2 carts to hold the belongings of classes that either go directly from recess to specials or from specials to lunch. The carts can also be used for other classes as special events come up throughout the year. Total cost for 2 carts is \$1739.53.

 Approved a request from Ms. Edwards for the purchase of a piano trolley to allow easier transport of the piano to the gym for concerts throughout the year. Total cost is \$489.99

## ♦ Updates from Committee leads

- Showed TCA picnic blanket purchased by birthday blessings committee lead,
   Jennifer Smith
- Leader needed for the decorations committee to decorate the front office and library area for fall and winter.
- President needed for the 2022-24 term. President would attend PTO board meetings and lead the PTO meetings.
- ♦ Parent Question: Can we use our budget to buy some spiritwear inventory? We aren't sure of the answer. We will check with Mrs. DeMeyer.
- Purpose of the PTO: Our mission is to help parents of The Classical Academy's Central Campus feel connected and informed. We will provide families with opportunities to bless and support our staff, and assist our school as it endeavors to shape exemplary citizens.

Noted that parents and grandparents are invited to participate in the PTO, and there is something for everyone, every gift and talent is needed here!