



PTO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 7, 2017 - 7:00pm

Patriot Elementary – Media Center

Call to Order

Melissa Grzywa called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes

Lindsay Evans – minutes were presented from the previous general meeting and June Special Meeting. Motion to approve the minutes by Paul Huss and seconded by James Stith. Minutes were approved. No discussion.

Officer's Reports

President's Report

Melissa Grzywa

- Ice Cream Social – well attended. Liberty showed and our weather was great.
- Back to School Night was a success. Online signing for committees helped with gym congestion. Snack money about 60-65% collected already.
- Boohoo Breakfast was well attended. More woohooing than boohooing.
- Little Library – basket for collection on black bookshelf for gentle used donated books up to middle school appropriate. Pride Council will be in charge of helping with this.
- TAGG app – will be mentioned in the newsletter. Easy way to earn school money.

Vice President's Report

Julia Genard

- Sign up Genius sign-ups for committees. All our committees have chairs, but still always need volunteers – especially Boosterthon. Red folders are surfacing and will be distributed.

Treasurer's Report

Tallie Colvin

- August 14th – Audit was completed by Staci Wolf.
- Request changes for a PBIS separate line for \$500 for this all school enrichment program.
- Reinstate the \$200 yearbook budget verse the \$50
- Paul Huss made a motion to approve reinstating the \$200 yearbook budget and add an additional line of \$500 in the budget for PBIS, seconded by Amy Parrish. Approved and no further discussion.

Secretary's Report

Lindsay Evans

- Newsletter coming out every other week, and it will coordinate with school newsletter.

Member-at-Large Report

Nicholle Reisdorff

- Student Directory will be put together as soon as Opt Out Forms and Central Office has the Verification forms in. This will be digital this year.



- Facebook Posts for committees – please contact Nicholle for this
- Be sure you received your cards for attending meetings. You only need to attend four of the five meetings to be entered for the drawing of four family passes for Papio Bay.

Principal's Reports

Principal

Matt Hilderbrand

- Thanks to everyone coming out tonight. This is a great reflection of what Patriot stands for. School year is off to a great start. Reach out when you have questions. Communication and relationships are what he asked teachers to focus. Big things coming this year. MAPS testing (3rd-6th) will be working on this in September and after winter break. These tests give us feedback the next day. In the next couple weeks, we will have a big announcement – stay tune. Please keep communicating and thank you for your support.

Assistant Principal

Ami Nichols

- Excited to be the first assistant principal to return for second year.
- PBIS – Tracy McShane and Katie Boyle are the PBIS gurus. They have helped with Ms. Nichols to get PBIS in the classroom. It is all about being proactive about student behavior and building relationships. PreK-12 initiative – it is district wide. Using a new ticket system. Starts off with earning tickets in classroom bin to then choose student of the week. Then all tickets earned will go into a bingo bin to draw for student of the month. The motto – You get what you pay attention to. Ask questions as they arise with this program.

Unfinished Business

Patriot PTO Enrichment Fund

- This is a way to allow teachers to ask for money for items they may otherwise feel are out of reach. It is a fundraising transparency. Many parents and teachers do not understand where funds from events or fundraisers go to. The fund will give the PTO an opportunity to have a streamlined way to receive requests. It helps the PTO Board and General meeting attendees understand the needs of the staff that are unable to attend. Teachers are able to fill out a form to request items, it is looked over by the principal or assistant principal to ensure it is within lines of established school guidelines, and then PTO will be reviewing these requests. This helps with transparency of where funds were used and understand the needs of teachers.
- Megan Pick and Tina LaMontagne have requested Logitech Wireless Keyboards for iPads. \$615 for 15 of these keyboards. Discussion to ask who will this be benefiting – it will be used for all kids in the iPad cart. So that multiple classes can have access to



these. Kevin Brehm made a motion to approve the \$615 for the 15 iPads and it was seconded by Sarah Deming. Approved unanimously and no further discussion.

Water Filling Stations

- \$4000 was approved in May for the water filling stations. \$4750 with Dr. Juracek additional funds. \$4673 for three units and it was all approved and ordered. Building and grounds requested a 120 v amp and this brought the bid from the electrician up significantly. We ended up going through with it with all three units because one was already shipped. The school loaned \$1656.38 to PTO to pay for this extra expense. We also need to purchase new filters that will last us 2 years (it's a 12 pack) \$723.90. \$2380.28 will be the money to be approved to be the amount of filters and school loan. Motion to approve to pay back loan and purchase the 12 pack of filters in the amount of \$2380.28 by Lori Thomas and seconded by Danielle Inserra. Discussion – teachers feel they are beneficial. Approved.

New Business

Directory Opt Out Forms

- Discussed under Member at Large

Request to Amend Bylaws for reviewing financials

- Request to Amend Bylaws: Where the bylaws indicate that the Duties of the Executive Board and Representatives and Duties of Officers are to 'Review Monthly bank statements or financials' shall forward be noted to state 'Review Quarterly bank statements or financials'. This is to be changed in the following articles:
 - Article VI – Section 6.2 – H
 - Article VII – Section 7.2 – G
 - Article VII – Section 7.3 – G
 - Article VII – Section 7.4 – F
 - Article VII – Section 7.6 – F
- A motion was made by Paul Huss to change wording in bylaws from 'monthly' to 'quarterly' in the above-mentioned articles, and it was seconded by Amy Parish. Approved and no discussion

Committee Reports

Redemptions

Kerry Horsley

- Drop zone is located by bookshelf near the little library drop off. Send in your receipts, Tyson A+ labels and box tops.

Cooks Night Out (CNO)

Lynn Brehm

- Pizza West may be next. If you are aware of any business doing higher than 10% let Lynn know. Only doing 5 CNO this year.

Yearbook

Andrew Nabity



- Students will be involved. 10 kiddos in grades 4-6. Relying more on the kids verse parents for pictures...maybe. Yearbook ordering is getting scheduled. May be as early as October.

Giving Tree	Kate Allen & Amy Slykhuis
Hospitality	Tara Arch
Staff Appreciation	Jennifer McDowell & Staci Wolf
Spirit Wear	Jacqie Hegarty & Jennifer McDowell

- Another order starting October 10th – 20th to do another order.

Teacher Monthly Snacks	Jen Doorlag
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- Looking for folks the third week of the month to bake.

Parent Teacher Conferences	Melissa Nelson & Danielle Inserra
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- Sign up Genius will be coming out in the newsletter next week.

Popcorn	Amber Van Dyke & Monica Herd
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Family Fun Night	Clay Seaman & Chad Kaseman
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- Looking at 26th or 27th of October – similar to what they did last year. 12 great members for the committee.

Pride Parents	Brenda Platt
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Announcements

Skate Party – Skate City	September 22 nd : 5pm – 7 pm
Cook's Night Out	Texas Roadhouse, September 12 th from 4-10 pm

Large Tumblers still available \$20

Adjournment

Lori Thomas moved, Monica Herd seconded, 7:56 p.m.

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