



PTO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 1, 2016 - 7:00pm ■ Patriot Elementary – Media Center

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Secretary:	Christy Huss	cphuss@cox.net
Member-at-large:	Elizabeth Williams	eugenio_williams@hotmail.com

Call to Order Meeting called to order at 7:01pm by Jacqie Hegarty

Minutes PTO General Meeting minutes from January 12, 2016 were on the table for review. A motion was made to approve by Monica Herd, seconded by Clint Russell. Motion approved unanimously.

Officer Reports

President Jacqie Hegarty
Working with Sports Clips to get the month of April as a month where they donate a portion of the service fees into Patriot as a fundraiser.

Vice President Tracey Patras
Committee chairs if you are done with the red folders please turn them in when you are complete.

Treasurer Travis Cobb
Financial report as well as proposed budget are on the table for review. Minor changes to the proposes budget. Budget total \$26,800 on the left had side of the budget. Looking to carry-forward over \$10k into the next school year.

Secretary Christy Huss
No report.

Member-at-Large Elizabeth Williams

Several of the chair people have expressed interest in continuing on the board. PTO Candidate form has been posted on social media.

Principal Reports Principal Dr. Anne Harley

Staff – LaMontange / Inserra / Semo / Sash / Hale / Kress

Celebration of PTO and the support given back to the school. 1st Semester – LLI kits – 2 (books are in kids hands), trumpet, classroom rug, 2 walkie talkies. To be purchased – Speech - Set of cards to help with articulation sounds. 4 new music stands for band, sensory brain, weighted blankets/stuffed animals, fidgets to help students stay on task. Wobble cushions, cd player, portable dvd drives (2), & hoki stool. There are other proposed purchases and appreciate the support.

Assistant Principal Rachael Stephenson
No report.

Special Guest Superintendent Papillion LaVista Dr. Rikli
Not present.

Unfinished Business 2015-2016 Purchases

Danielle Inserra asking for a classroom rug – gives a homey feeling and use for whole-group space. Cost is \$314.97. Motion Lynn Brehm, Jessica Semo 2nd, Motion approved unanimously. Ms. Collins is asking for a classroom set of National Geographic magazines. Great way to teach reading with short text and high interest topics. Would be 15 titles with 22 copies. Melissa Gryzwa motion, seconded by Becky Medeck. Approved unanimously.

New Business Fall Fundraiser

Looking at doing tumblers in Fall 2016. They would include sports related options and one that is personalized for Patriot.

Boosterthon

Tentative May 2nd – 12th, 2017 dates have been set, awaiting contract. Discussion that dates might need to be moved back in order to collect money. Look to move up a week to April 25th. Cost is \$2,000 + \$1500 optional. No official contract will be locked into until after the May meeting. Funds would be used to expand the library and add more permanent shelving. Theme will be Outdoor Box Office.

The mission of the Patriot Elementary Parent Teacher Organization is to strengthen, enhance, and encourage our educational, social, and community environment. "Together we inspire PRIDE"



2016-2017 Committee Chairpersons

Some committee chairs need to be filled in the Spring so that planning can be done before Fall. We are looking for the following chair people.

- Spirit Wear
- Back to School Night
- Hospitality – Tara Arch
- Fall Fundraiser
- Boosterthon
- Landscaping
- Cooks Night Out – Clint Russell
- Redemptions – Melinda Ahrens

2016-2017 PTO Board Positions

Descriptions of the board positions are on the table for review. Board positions are on social media as well. All positions are open: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Member-at-Large.

2016-2017 Proposed Budget

Reviewed in Treasurer's report. Will vote in May.

School & Staff Expenditure Requests

Covered in earlier reports.

2015-2016 Audit Committee

Need two volunteers to audit the PTO books. Clint Russell & Melinda Ahrens

Proposed By-Law change

We give out one or two scholarships to Patriot Alumni. We had not addressed the scholarships in the by-laws and there are two sections that need to be addressed. Section 9.5. Discussion to re-word "\$250 & \$500" to "award up-to two scholarships depending on scholarships received." Discussion regarding if we need to have "conflict of interest" specified. Thoughts that it is an honor system. Discussion as to whether an even number of voters would pose and issue. Section 6.2 – Executive Board & Representatives (duties). Discussion whether another person should sit on the committee as a non-bias person, but is something to look at in the future and to reach out to other schools to see how they structure the process. Have another school's PTO board read the scholarships and trade services. We will table discussion until more feedback and research is done.

Committee Reports

Cooks Night Out

Clinton Russell

Mama's Pizza – have not been able to reschedule. Jimmy John's this Monday – notify the cashier – 5-8pm. Texas Roadhouse on March 31st. April 13th at Runza from 5-8 pm (10%). Still working on Egg & I, Panera & Culvers.

Family Fun Night

Don Hand

Bowling on the 6th of March at Papio Bowl from 2-6pm. Signup Genius available.

Landscaping

Dan Benson / Joey Benson

Currently working on plans to re-work the landscaping to making it easier to maintain. May remove a couple berms that are too high and rework with more plants and less weeds the ones that are being kept.

Monthly Snacks

Jen Doorlag

Next Wednesday. Three more.

Popcorn Day

Jennifer McDowell

Two popcorn days this week. Tomorrow for Dr. Suess week and then Friday before the

Skating Party.

Pride Parents

Monica Herd

Meet Mondays at 8 am. Just finished Literacy Box for Mrs. Kush.

Redemption

Melinda Ahrens

\$947.80 in boxtops mailed for the years. Mrs. Collins class came in 1st place. Labels for Education program is phasing out, but keep clipping them. Looking for another opportunity. Cash for Class we are still in 2nd place. Remind on social media to save the receipts.

Staff Appreciation

Tina Peterson

Week of April 4th. Plans to be announced. Theme, food, and activities are ready.

**Wellness****Lori Thomas**Family Fitness Night – 6:30 – 7:30 pm on March 8th.**Yearbook****Kim Erickson / Rachel McCann**

Meeting this evening. Ordering is over. Need photos!!! Find out deadline for photos.

Announcements

Skate Night – Skate City	March 4 th	5PM – 7PM
Family Fun Night – Papio Bowl	March 6 th	2PM – 6PM
CNO Jimmy Johns	March 7 th	5PM – 8PM
Wellness Family Activity Night	March 8 th	6:30PM – 7:30PM
Kindergarten Roundup	March 11 th	
Bank Day	March 30 th	
CNO Texas Roadhouse	March 31 st	
CNO Runza	April 13 th	
Bank Day	April 27 th	
Candidate Forms	April 28 th	
Absentee Voting	May 4 th & 5 th	
PTO General Meeting	May 5 th	
Skate Night – Skate City	May 13 th	

Door Prizes for the meeting – Green Shamrock on nametag wins popcorn & gift card.

Adjournment

Don Hand made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Becky Mendeck, meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Next Meeting Thursday, May 5th, 2016 - 7:00pm | Patriot Elementary - Media Center**Patriot Elementary Website: www.paplv.org****PTO Email: patriotpto@paplv.org**