



Thursday, November 13, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Amy-Lynn motioned to start meeting at 6:31pm. Carly seconded.

Attendees: Liz Krugliak, Amy-Lynn Pelaez, Carly Geddes, Mr. Hathaway, Beth White, Carling Achberger, Stacy Ann Cornell, Wendy DaCosta, Chantel Koker, Aysheh Kainrath, Kristen Boudreaux, Kendra McClintic, Ashley Summerer, Laura Webster, Camille Gorden, Samantha Gagnon

Approval of last meeting's minutes: Amy-Lynn motioned to approve. Aysheh seconded.

Approval items: N/A

Executive items:

1. President's Report:

1. Shout-outs!
 1. Trunk or Treat! Huge bravo to Stacy, Kendra, and Kristen! This was our first community event and was amazing for all families!
 2. Boosterthon! Aysheh did such a fantastic job!
 3. Goodies with Grands! Amber and Brandi did amazingly! Over 400 people came. Lots of food was donated and we had extras for the teachers. The grandparents were so kind and wonderful!
 4. Book Fair! Chantel and Staci killed it! Decorations were on point and it was so successful!
2. Outdoor trash cans finally came!
3. Shades haven't been decided on yet. Our first quote was over \$50k, so we're working on getting a few more quotes.
4. Benches haven't been ordered yet either, however we're waiting on some quotes. 4 benches have been donated thus far.
5. RSVPs will all be going through the website now. This will help things be more streamlined. We will be asking for legal name, DOB, email, and phone.
6. PTO closet is getting messy and disorganized. If you are a chairperson, please go organize your things.
7. We purchased a coffee pot and carafe for the front office.
8. Spirit Wear has been purchased to be sold at events.
9. Added another platinum sponsor!

10. Sunshine cart happened again today!
11. Hurricane Hank made his debut! Aysheh's brother makes an incredible mascot!

2. Treasurer's Report

1. October's total income: \$38,243.02. Expenses: \$8,807.04. Net operating income: \$26,750.38.
2. Our whole number projected for the year: \$136,000. We are at: \$127,000 income so far. Most of this has come from sponsorships.
3. We have already made the money back we spent to purchase spirit wear. We still have inventory to sell.
4. Reimbursements: If you have to use your own funds, please submit your receipt no longer than 2 weeks following the purchase. If you use the PTO card, please submit your receipt to Amy-Lynn by the end of the month.
5. \$88,264 is our ending balance in the account as of today!

3. Membership Report

1. 2 memberships added this past month.

Review of last meeting's to-do items and events:

- **Trunk-or-Treat**
 - o Shy of income goal, but we also went under budget and we made more than we spent.
 - o Had candy left over
 - o Thought process for next year: hopefully we can add something to pizza sales. Lines became an issue, so we can re-think how we set up cars. Aerial video looked amazing! We plan to use that to hype it up for next year.
Suggestion: voting got confusing and difficult. Need to streamline that.
Maybe we give Middle Schoolers their own area. Thanks to volunteers who helped! We could raffle off something donated by one of our Partners in Education in the future.
 - o We estimate 1000 people were in attendance.
 - o Beth can create a feedback survey for our events that gets sent to the chairpersons so we can improve in the future.
- **Boosterthon**
 - o Our original goal was \$35k. Total income was over \$56k. 72% students signed up, 59% of whom raised donations. \$38,230 came from non-parents from 5 countries and 45 states.
 - o Top classes in each grade will be awarded pizza parties.

- Need to figure out slime day for the top 10 students! It will be in between Thanksgiving and Christmas during lunchtime.
- Next year theme: Global Kitchen Club. Aysheh is already planning decorations! Maybe the prize is that we throw spaghetti on Mr. Hathaway!
- Dec 9th first spirit day at Chick Fil-A. Hurricane Hank will be there. They'll give 20% back to the school. Decorated trees will be at the location closest to Target, however both Chick Fil-As will give us 20% from that day.
- **Goodies with Grands**
 - \$765 was allotted. They went over budget by about \$100, but they got a ton donated and the event was a huge success. Big thank you to the volunteers that made it go smoothly. 200 guests were expected and over 400 showed up. Grandparents felt loved and appreciated the event!
- **Book Fair**
 - Very beneficial to have up and running during Goodies with Grands
 - So far: over \$16k produced and we'll get 20% of that back to the school.
 - Only about \$40 was spent on the event, so we're in great shape!
 - Next book fair is planned to line up with the Father/Daughter dance.

Upcoming activities reports:

1. **Middle School dance**
 1. Merry and Bright dance on Fri, Dec 5th. Tickets \$15. We'll have a DJ, photo booth, food. Need about 100 kids to come to break even. We also need lots of volunteers.
2. **Donuts with Dads (moved to a later date)**

Chairperson reports:

1. **Teacher Appreciation**
 1. Bought 700 wings, had 200 left over. \$976 spent and planned on \$1000, so right on target.
 2. Bus drivers got shirts, attendants got treats.
 3. Kind bars were given to teachers today since it's World Kindness Day.
 4. Kids are being encouraged to write happy sticky notes in the hallway.
 5. Next week: support professionals
 6. December appreciation day being worked on.
2. **Sunshine Cart**
 1. Today we did Sunshine Cart! Theme: Thanksgiving and football. Stacy dressed up as a turkey!
 2. Quality control is on point and all expiry dates are being checked.

3. Some snacks are not adult appropriate. We'll reiterate that it's for teachers, not kids. All extras are being donated to Lutheran Church off Roberts.
4. Next one is in December and the whole school will be done. This will happen on the 2nd Thursday (10th)....though it's supposed to be a surprise!
5. Whatever donations we don't get we use the budget to purchase.
6. \$42.65 total expenses this month. Great job all around!

3. **PBIS**

1. Chantel has taken it over. Thank you!
2. Kids are earning points for positive behavior, then they use those points to purchase things.
3. Elementary kids will shop 2x/month. Middle School will also shop 2x/month.
4. Only kids with good behavior will get to go during lunchtime.
5. Next event happens tomorrow.

4. **Spirit Wear**

1. See above
2. The PTO spirit wear will only be sold at events, not on the site where Anchor Apparel sells gym clothes, etc.

5. **Website**

1. RSVPs will now be housed on the website.
2. Tickets for events are on there.
3. Anchor Apparel purchasing capabilities are on there.

Principal's Report:

1. Big thanks for everything PTO is doing. Super rare. Kudos!
2. Veteran's Day event went well, but will be bigger and better next year. Maybe we will include the band.
3. Character Parade was huge.
4. Music plays on outside speakers while kids show up. Good morale boost!
5. PBIS (already talked about)
6. The amount of families in the building is *awesome* and is exactly what we're going for! So grateful for the room moms and adults that show up. Keep coming in!
7. Ask: Thanksgiving is coming up. Looking at a community service project for the students to participate in. Jamaica has recently been hit by a cat 5 hurricane and we represent some families from there. Idea: canned food drive to benefit folks in Jamaica. It can also include boxed foods and first aid items. There are a few safe ports to send things to. Great for our kids to work together towards a positive cause.

8. Looking for an adult to lead a “Green/Gardening” Club.
9. Parents can periodically meet kids for lunch. We’re really waiting on benches to arrive to be able to facilitate more of that.

Upcoming calendar items:

1. 11/14: Spirit Friday
2. 11/24-28: No school
3. 12/5: Middle School Holiday dance
4. 12/11: PTO Meeting – same night as chorus concert. We may have to adjust.

Action items for this month:

- RSVP on website
- Second Goodies with Grands
- Reimbursements to Amy-Lynn within 2 weeks, receipts by end of month
- PTO closet organization
- Encourage parents to check lost and found. Photos and videos will be posted.
- Finalize new meeting time for December.

Adjourned: 7:33pm

Signed:

Carly Geddes, HCA PTO Secretary