

GLENRIDGE PTO MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2024 ♦ 8:45 AM

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on March 14, 2024 at 8:45 am CST via zoom conference and at Glenridge.

The following members of the Board were present at the meeting: Kathryn Yorg, Co-President; Jason Bockman, Co-President; Marisa Gelfand, Vice-President; Jessica Yuan, Co-Treasurer; Jamie Beyer, Co-Treasurer; Jami Greenfield-Klang, Communications; Jenny Abeles, PTO Council; Allison Low, Acting Principal, Denise Stouffer, Teacher Representative.

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Basak Saner, Whitney Lorenz, Aida Hadzisabic, Diana Akers, Stacey Hoffman

Call to Order and Introductions: Approved Previous Meeting Minutes

Principal's Report: Dr. Allison Loy

- Parent input for 24/25 class placements are due by 4/24, no teacher requests please.
- Class placement announcement will occur on August 1, 2024.
- MAP testing is scheduled for May 1, please remind parents to give kids plenty of rest, good breakfast and practice test scenarios are available vis classroom teachers.

International Family Liaison Report

- No update

Teacher's Report – Denise Stouffer

- Thank you from Mr. Kearny for the funding, he is planting seeds with 1st and 2nd grade students for hopes of a fall pumpkin patch.
- Thanks from Denise for robotics supplies.
- Several teachers have volunteered to help with Strawberry Festival.

Treasurer's Report: Jamie Beyer

- Reviewed transactions
- Field Day committee selling hats to fund DJ during Field Day. Voted to approve to spend up to \$650 on DJ for Field Day (cost estimated at \$500).
- Discussed Cheddar-Up fees, working with support to confirm settings stay to "no fees", adding verbiage to all pages saying that if fees are showing- contact XXX.

Presidents Report:

- Trivia night – 4/27. Have great prize donations, hoping for 15 tables, encouraging 5th grade families and individual ticket sales. Last day to purchase tickets 4/24.
- Strawberry Festival – Received over \$3K in sponsors. Still need more volunteers and cakes.
- Update from Community Support Liaison – thank you from staff out on medical leave
- 5th Grade Promotion – 5/30. Discussion for moving back indoors. 4th Grade Families providing after ceremony snack. Pool party 5-7 (need one adult per 10 kids), PTO providing t-shirt with class names on back, parents coordinating 5th grade gift.
 - Denise to check with music teacher to see if there will be Music share that day
- Playground Renovation. Diana Akers spoke about communication to area residents about playground closure this summer and discussed discussion for all-inclusive surfaces. Jami/Kathryn/Diana to discuss communication ideas and coordinate efforts with district.
- PTO Board Slate filled for 24/25 school year, need to discuss Read-A-Thon options

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PTO Council Update: Jenny Abeles

- Last meeting 4/18, slate set for 24/25

Vice President Report – Marisa Gelfand

- Always looking for more volunteers, including leadership roles. Want to make sure we include K-2 families as other volunteer families graduate from Glenridge.

New Business:

- School Supply Order: Committee (Jami K, Sarah B, Jessica Y and Jamie B). Info for orders will be sent in May. Orders will be delivered during Meet the Teacher event and directly to classroom teachers. We will need to vote on spend to purchase supplies at next meeting.
 - Marisa Gelfand to provide amount paid by parents in 2023.
- Teacher Appreciation Week – May 6-10, fun week planned with gifts for teachers, appreciation video, coffee truck, lunch, Narwhal NA drinks and flower arrangements. No parent donations needed since Narwhals was donated by Glendridge parent.

Past Activities

- Pancake Breakfast – well attended, good pancakes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00am

Respectfully Submitted