

GLENRIDGE PTO MEETING MINUTES

February 22, 2024 ♦ 8:45 AM

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on February 22, 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; Marisa Gelfand, Vice-President, Jessica Yuan, Co-Treasurer; Jamie Beyer, Co-Treasurer; Sarah Boyce, Secretary; Jami Greenfield-Klang, Communications; Jenny Abeles, PTO Council; Tarita Murdock, Principal, Denise Stouffer, teacher representative

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Basak Sander (intl family liaison), Lynn Courter, Aida Hadzisabic, Whitney Lorenz, Jason Lerman, Pamela Lerman (school board candidate), Michael Sung, Ashley, Jackie Stavro, Leo Human (school board candidate), Stacey Hoffman

Call to Order and Introductions: Approved Previous Meeting Minutes

Principal's Report: Dr. Tarita Murdock

- Amy Moss recently presented to parents on ADHD, thanks to the PTO for funding
- Last meeting there were questions on the new report card and literacy program. The report card committee met after the meeting and a smaller committee is now getting together on next steps. Dr Murdock spoke to the district math and literacy coordinator who will come to the March PTO meeting and present on the program
- Dr Murdock will be out on medical leave for a month starting March 20. There will be a substitute principal.
- Ms Todd will also be out from late April through year end and there will be a substitute for her

Intl Liaison Report

- Trying to gather people who are interested in a district wide event. There is a reservation for a place in early April.

Vice President Report – Marisa Gelfand

- Looking for volunteers for remaining activities this year. We need volunteers to help with the high school students for strawberry festival.

Presidents Report:

- PTO leadership slate for next year: Kathryn will personally reach out to current leadership to gauge interest for next year. Please speak now if you're interested in a role for next year
- The PTO Council candidates forum is on March 26 in the CHS auditorium at 7pm
- Volunteerism: a group met on how we can drive more volunteerism and there are 4 themes that we will revisit in May/June for planning for next year. 1. Better targeted communication about volunteering needs and more details on requirement will be provided when seeking volunteers 2. Reaching into the Glenridge community on people who have said they wanted to volunteer but haven't committed to an event, we will reach out to this group 3. Community has shifted over Covid, going to add parent parties for each grade next year and the PTO can fund part of the events 4. Revisit the number of events and our calendar for next year and address our fundraising needs

Teacher Representative Report: Denise Stouffer

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- Thanks from the staff for the Valentines Day coffee truck
- Field Day questions around budget, there's a line item for rentals. We're trying to get a large inflatable again for field day which is in the budget. The inflatable is \$803

Treasurer's Report: Jessica Yuan

- Reviewed transactions
- Valentines Day Receipts should be submitted ASAP, the by-laws say submissions should be within 30 days of the event

PTO Council Update: Jenny Abeles

- PTO Council is hosting an open forum on March 26 with a small reception after. There are 3 candidates for 2 open spots
- Make sure to use the district printer services, it's very inexpensive

Other Business:

- School board election candidates spoke and a third will come to the next meeting
 - 1) Leo Human humandl@gmail.com
 - 2) Pam Lerman pamforclaytonschools@gmail.com
- School supply kits – voted that we will bulk buy and organize this internally as opposed to using a supplier
- Strawberry festival – Lynn said everything is ordered and things are going well. One new addition will be lawn games for the field. There's going to be an alumni booth.
- STL City 2 game date options are Sept 15 at 6pm or Oct 6 at 3pm. We are choosing Oct 6 at 3pm
- Yearbook update – David the designer is working on it. We've sold 148 so far which is slower than where we were last year. March 4 is the deadline. There will be a final call from teachers for pictures they've taken.
- Need volunteers for Holi Color Run, approved over email for them to spend \$200 more to order more color

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

Respectfully Submitted