

# GLENRIDGE PTO MEETING MINUTES

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**January 25, 2024 ♦ 8:45 AM**

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on January 25, 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; Sarah Boyce, Secretary; Jami Greenfield-Klang, Communications; Jenny Abeles, PTO Council; Tarita Murdock, Principal

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Basak Sander (intl family liaison, Laura Long, Aida Hadzisabic, Nilima Ghosh, Kimberly Rash, Bridget Dunlap, Whitney Lorenz, Lilly Scharff, Lynn Courter

**Call to Order and Introductions:** Approved Previous Meeting Minutes

**Principal's Report: Dr. Tarita Murdock**

- Request for Clear touch board for speech language pathologist. Dr Murdock will come back on costs but it's less than \$3k. Approved spending up to \$3k on the touch board
- Playground is on track for this summer
- Harlem Renaissance Black History month information is coming for the whole month of February.
- Cameras have been installed

**Intl Liaison Report**

- Discussions underway for a district wide intl family night potentially for this spring or next year.

**Vice President Report – Marisa Gelfand**

- Valentines Day Party are in the works. Feedback is coming on rotating vs staying in rooms
- Lunar New Year event is in the works
- School supply kits
- Need PTO volunteers for next year with parents moving onto Wydown. Lynn will lead for popsicles on the playground for next year

**Presidents Report:**

- Trivia Night – sponsors have been contacted, save the date went out and big items are booked.
- Yearbooks – due date to order is March 4. Flyer will come out next week with QR code. Whitney is going to plan a tabling schedule. Lots of feedback on how to improve the yearbook.

**Teacher Representative Report: Dr. Tarita Murdock for Denise Stouffer**

- Does anyone have ideas for teacher appreciation week. The teacher appreciation team has ideas and welcomes input

**Treasurer's Report: Jessica Yuan**

- Reviewed transactions
- \$30k quote for new digital sign outside the school possible use of GCC funds. We need 3 official quotes before the district can sign off. Contact Chief Comms, Chief Tech Officers, neighbors, and city.
- Missing Halloween party reimbursement receipts.

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- Changing the form so reimbursements can go through ACH

### **PTO Council Update: Jenny Abeles**

- PTO Council meeting is February 15, trying to fill 2 positions for next year.
- There are still tables available for Wydown trivia night

### **Other Business:**

- Report Cards/New Grading policy – Annually report card process and standards are reviewed and were changed this year. Dr Murdock will take feedback and follow up with Dr Garganigo, assistant superintendent
- Learn to Read methodology was reviewed based on questions from Aida on our policy.

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

Respectfully Submitted