

# GLENRIDGE PTO MEETING MINUTES

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**March 14, 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; Jason Bockman, Co-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 Saner, Whitney Lorenz, Lilly Scharff, Bridgette Dunlap, Jason Wilson school board incumbent, Alison Loy (sub while Dr Murdock is out), Angela Caracciolo, Lauren, Aida Hadzisabic, Julie Paur, Stacey Hoffman

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

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

- Dr Loy will start the day after spring break, today is Dr Murdock's last day until April 22
- Class placement announcements for all of the Clayton elementary schools going forward will be August not June which is similar to what most districts do. The change is driven by the number of students that enroll during the summer
- Police are planning to do a training at Glenridge in July

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

**Presidents Report:**

- Strawberry festival – planning in full swing, Jamie Matlock is coordinating HS volunteers.
- Pancake breakfast – planning in full swing, looking for more volunteers
- Trivia night – link is live. People can buy tables there are 30 available and we've sold 5. Links are live for charity baskets. Alcohol won't be for sale but people can bring it. On April 1 we're going to open the tables to the rest of the districts.

**Intl Liaison:**

- Celebrating Culture with Clayton, November 2024 (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend). Activities are still being planned

**Teacher Representative Report: Denise Stouffer**

- Thank you from the speech pathologist who got the touch board funded by the PTO
- Specialists: Science teacher is planting pumpkin seeds that will be planted indoors and then moved outdoors. PE teachers are purchasing equipment. Spanish teacher is buying books
- B&N bookfair went well
- Request from Ms Oliver if PTO can fund \$142 for snacks at the art fair. Confirmed, we'll fund

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- Field day. Confirmed budgets

### **Treasurer's Report: Jessica Yuan**

- Reviewed transactions

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

- Board of education, contested election with forum. Postcard is coming out with more information, website is live where you can read all about the candidates.
- Make sure to use the district printer services, it's very inexpensive

### **Other Business:**

- Jason Wilson: Has been a district parent for the past 8 years, captain track. Has a high passion for the school district and was on the school board for the past 2 years, wants to see plans implemented. Passionate about diversity and inclusion. There is a lot happening at the state and the district needs to be more vocal on certain topics. Need to create a curriculum that's in front of what's happening.
- Literacy Coordinator, Julie Paur presented on the curriculum, the focus and alignment to the Missouri Learning Standards
- Angela Caracciolo, district math coordinator
- Yearbook – we are past our milestones. PTO can buy extras and then sell them for a small profit. Discussion around in the future having a yearbook club where the 5<sup>th</sup> graders can help lead the yearbook. A club would likely need to get sponsored by a parent and if a district employee isn't on site then there's an insurance cost. Dr Murdock will get the costs of that.
- Lilly asked about the status of 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion. We think that the pavilion and pool are booked.

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

Respectfully Submitted