

PTO General and Executive Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Erin Jackson made a motion to dispense with the reading of the May 2020 PTO minutes since they were previously emailed around, Jen Izenstark seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to dispense the reading of the minutes. Madison Beedy made a motion to approve the May 2020 PTO minutes as written, Elise Sparks seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to approve the minutes.

Speaker	Subject
<u>General Meeting</u>	
Mr. Hubbell (mpavlik@pvschools.net) Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Introduced himself.● Big believer in power of parents.● Bingo Night was a huge success. Great to be a part of it as a new principal.● Joined Dad’s Club meeting. Great turnout and a lot of interest in helping out at school.● Overview of the year- enrollment is a big focus this year. 360 at beginning of the year and now to 340. Focusing on creating excitement around the school.● New staff- resource teacher, instructional coach, vice principal, pre-k teacher● Thank everyone for cooperation● Mask policy has been working to keep our kids in school even though some have opted out.● Does morning video announcements every morning. Would love videos of kids promoting PTO events to show during morning announcements● Question- Do we expect any changes with the mask mandate ban? It’s wait and see at this point. Because most districts are doing some form of masking, there is the hope that the ban on the 28th will not be enforced. Might be masks in the official dress code.

<p>Gretchen Hanna vp@grayhawkpto.com Vice President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bylaws- Small changes, nothing substantial. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gretchen Hanna made a motion to approve the changes to the minutes as they were previously discussed and posted on the website. Madison Beedy seconded the motion. Approved
	<p>General session closed</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Executive Meeting</u></p>	
<p>Madison Beedy president@grayhawkpto.com PTO President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are having in person events this year and are very grateful for this opportunity. ● PTO looking to recruit new members to help welcome new families and want to be involved. Lots of cool opportunities this year. ● Behind the scenes working on Give Your Way Program. It's a way to simplify our giving. ● Grayhawk Gives Back Program- Grayhawk families volunteer in our community. Thanks to Dorothy Jokerst for organizing it. ● Working with teachers to bring more exciting opportunities in our classrooms. ● Abby Ngyuen is our volunteer coordinator and can help you find the right opportunity to be involved.
<p>Randy Schoenfeld dadsclub@grayhawkpto.com Dad's Club</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 17 dads at the dad club meeting. 8 were new. Have about 25 active members. Mr. Hubbel was there which was great. ● 2 guys in construction said that they could make the 9 ball court and can do it in two weeks time. 9 ball is a game that can be played inside or outside. It's like volleyball but kids stand in different raised boxes. ● Dad's club will be in charge of catering at Fall Fest. 10 dads are already signed up. ● Gaga Ball- a large octagon. Mixture of dodgeball and something else. A little more expensive to build but looking into plans to make it. Several dads are excited

	<p>about working on that. Have to find a place for it on the field. Waiting for approval.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dad's Club taking lead on National Walk/Bike to school day on October 6. Have reached out to Scottsdale Police and Fire Department. Hoping to have Fire Engines. For those who drive to school, going to meet at Pei Wei and walk over.
<p>Tricia Owen (treasurer@grayhawkpto.com) Treasurer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Standard Operating Budget. Added a 3rd page with a different perspective. Budget shows through end of August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Revenue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bingo- lost \$500 ■ Birthday in Lights ■ Community Fundraising ■ Retail Cash Back ■ Yearbook Sales- \$864 ○ Expenses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tax Returns, Insurance, Website, Membership Toolkit ■ Classroom enhancements \$1500 has gone out ■ New reading subscription- Edmentum ■ Special Request- Hoola Hoops ■ Paid STEM teacher \$1500 ■ Back to School Social ■ Core Knowledge- Each classroom gets \$500 ■ Staff Appreciation- Welcome Back Luncheon Money that wasn't spent last year for field trips goes back into PTO reserve. <p>Also tracking Outdoor Classroom Funds.</p>
<p>Courtney Strelman (rptreasurer@grayhawkpto.com) Room Parent Treasurer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Everyone is able to contribute to a class party fund, gift fund and other. ● 40 families have already donated.
<p>John Paladino (Events@grayhawkpto.com) VP Events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New to the school. Daughter is in 1st grade. ● Focus is on Fall Fest. ● Thinking how to do events in the current climate. Want everyone to have a good time and feel like it is a fun event. ● Fall Fest is Oct 22 from 5-8 pm ● Lynx Laps- Feb 1, Activity on the 11th- In person color run. Looking for someone to chair this event. Lynx in Love.

<p>Robin Speer (rspeer@pvlearners.net) Teacher Rep</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction. ● Excited to be the teacher liaison for the PTO.
<p>Misty Das (roomparent@grayhawkpto.com) VP Room Parent Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have all room parents except for Mrs. Boles ● Room Parent Communication to go out today. ● Room Parent Orientation on 9/9 at 9 am in PTO room.
<p>Cori Matheson (communications@grayhawkpto.com) VP Communications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Does social media for PTO, yearbook, enews and website. ● Doing three roles but makes sense because all related. ● Finalized eNews the thursday before it goes out on Monday. ● PTO Instagram following has really increased. It's a great way to keep up to date. ● Post lunch menu on Instagram. ● Uses Canva ● Looking for help if anyone is interested. ● Question- can we consolidate website and membership toolkit? Website is public and toolkit is private so it doesn't make sense to combine. There is a link on membership toolkit for the PTO website. There is also a district website. It gets overwhelming. ● Question- Do people touring the school get directed to cool PTO website? They have to book the tour on the website. ● Has updated and edited the PTO website a lot this year. She's trying to clean stuff up and working through it the best she can. Emails and texts with suggestions are good. ● We have to improve our brand to get more kids to enroll here. Huge shoutout to Cori for all of her work. Stronger Together.
<p>Christy Guemple (hospitality@grayhawkpto.com) Hospitality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No update
<p>Jen Izenstark (upc@grayhawkpto.com) VP UPC Rep and Yearbook</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anyone can come to the UPC meeting. Jen gets a vote because she is the rep. Dorothy Jokerst is the alternate rep. Katie Watson, Jill Rule are also alternates. ● Jen communicates with the UPC the things we are doing at Grayhawk. Is on various committees and task forces.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Superintendents and board members are there so it's a great place to talk to people.● Meetings are virtual this year.● Dr. Bell (Superintendent) discussed what is going on with our district and with Covid. Links for the meetings are on PTO website.● Let Jen know if anyone else wants to be UPC rep next year.● Next meeting- Sept 22 at 10 am.
<p>Elise Sparks Outdoor Classroom</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Amphitheater cooled with cooling towers and solar panels. Can be used throughout the year. Big fan and radiant cooling.● Vertical Shading that can be moved by kids.● Design elements are part of the teaching tools. Kids learn through experience and touch. Dovetails with Core Knowledge.● Cooling tower is connected to amphitheater. Some of the shading is fixed and some is moveable. Kids can move shades based on time of year and day. This is part of the learning.● 2nd Focus area- White tables, wall of knowledge, white boards, cubbies, pulley and simple machine system.● Amphitheater is ADA compliant. Outlets throughout.● 3rd focus area- Shaded area for small groups and reading. Potential area for memorial for Mrs. Franklin. Tree, seating area, etc.● 4th focus area- Garden/Butterfly area. Viewable planters with irrigation system.● 5th focus area- maps and globe. Globe would have a sun dial.● 6th focus area- small discussion area (waste management basin)● Money- \$75k approved from PTO, money from Memorial Fund, Corporate Sponsors. Getting formal bid today.● Looking for anyone who can help● The plans have evolved a ton from when this idea was first approved.

Additional Discussion after Executive Meeting

- Give Your Way- One Time Donation in three ways 1. Lynx Laps or monthly donations 2. Classroom Donations 3. Outdoor Classroom
- Take pressure off of parents and event chairs.
- Typo corrected.
- Fall Fest Tickets could be included as incentive to donate now
- Is the dollar amount for lunch with the principal too high?
- The donations are per student and not per family
- Can pay with check or online through paypal on membership toolkit.
- Added line that donations are per child and that donations can still be made by family and friends at Lynx Laps.

Attendees: Erin Jackson, Jen Izenstark, Courtney Streelman, Abby Ngyen, Cori Matheson, Tina McFarland, Tricia Owen, Jenna Ky, Gretchen Hanna, Randy Schoenfeld, Bambi, Julia Rutledge Mandy Bolin, Stephanie Kern, Bri LaTourette, Robin Speer, Madison Beedy, Kate, Penelope Plache, Dawn Weirich, Jennifer Eldridge, Sara V., Dorothy Jokerst

Upcoming Events:

September 6-7	Labor Day Recess- No School
September 15	Chipotle Dine for Donations
September 16-17	Fall Break- No School
September 21	School Picture Day
September 22	UPC Meeting/ Parent Education Night- All Things EQ and SEL
September 23	PVUSD Governing Board Meeting
October 4-8	Book Fair
October 5	Early Release
October 7	PTO Meeting/ PVUSD Governing Board Meeting
October 13	End of First Quarter