

Minutes for PTO Meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Attendees: 29

Faculty: 2

PTO Board Members: 5

7:01 PM **Welcome** - Co-Presidents Ankita Achra and Daniela Santana

7:02 PM **Pledge of Allegiance**

7:03 PM **Faculty Liaisons**

Mrs. Ferrera – GBMS

- Frozen Jr. rehearsal is on track
- Green Team Club has started
 - They will be working n creating an edible garden
- 10/25 - picture day
- Homework Club has begun
- Morning Gym
 - Takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 AM
 - You can drop-in up until 7:30 AM
- Ms. Kessler will be running Respect Week next week
 - Monday – community respect
 - Jersey day
 - Tuesday – teacher/parent respect
 - Sit with others at lunch
 - Wednesday – respect yourself
 - BBQ lunch
 - Thursday – classmate respect
 - Jared Campbell Assembly
 - Wear grade level colors
 - Friday – environment respect
 - PGC lesson
 - Staff/student volleyball game
- Peer Leaders Update
 - Neil Nikhil and Rohin Garg are attending tonight’s meeting
 - Respect Week is next week
 - Per leaders will be participating in morning announcements
 - 10/30-11/3 – Spirt Week
 - Wear your costume on Halloween
 - Friday will be staff vs. students soccer game
 - Peer leaders will be helping at Tunk or Treat
 - Canned food drive will be held

Mr. Billman & Ms. Walsh - IEF

- School-wide morning meeting assembly was held
 - The assembly will be held once per month
- 10/11-10/12 – MAP Testing

- 10/13- make-up testing
- Fire Prevention week is this week
 - Green Brook Fire Department visited IEF today
- 10/31 – Halloween Parade
 - Parent Square will be sent with details
- Art Club started last week
 - The children decorated shirts
- Pre-K is working on letters, shapes, and colors
- Ms. Botte’s class finished their star names
- Art students are exploring materials and movements
- Collected canned goods were donated to FISH for Week or Respect
- 10/27 – Picture Day
- 11/4 – Zombie Fun Run
- 11/6-11/8 – Teacher Conferences
- 11/9-11/10 – No School
- Charge iPads and send in jackets
- Peer Leaders Update
 - Peyton Lewis and Ava Hoffman are attending tonight’s meeting
 - Peer Leaders are participating in morning meetings
 - Wearing their Peer Leader shirts
 - Planning Spirit Days

7:15 PM

Board of Education Report – Dr. Beth Stanton

- *Dr. Stanton was not in attendance*
- At the 9/27 meeting, the Board approved the collective bargaining agreement and upcoming trips

7:16 PM

Q&A for Administrators and Liaisons

- No questions were asked

7:16 PM

Upcoming Events/Activities

OCTOBER

- Homeroom Parent Meeting
 - Was held on 10/13
 - No food at class parties
- Chair Meeting
 - Was held on 10/5
- Bright Minds
 - Partnering with Code Ninjas
 - 10/16 – IEF begins
 - Classes run from 4:00-5:00 PM
 - Register through Friday, 10/13
 - 10/18 – GBMS begins
 - Must have a minimum of 10 kids for the program to take place
 - Details of the classes will follow once registration closes
 - Be on time at pick-up or your child will be escorted to GBEAF Aftercare for a fee

- Food Fundraising
 - 10/12 – Koto in Green Brook
 - Parent Square with details was sent on Monday
 - Dine-in only (flyer is needed)
- Trunk or Treat
 - 10/27 at IEF (rain date is 10/28)
 - Trunks and candy are needed
 - Sponsors are needed for food
 - Volunteers are needed day of the event (food table, set-up)
 - Email Nora to register your trunk
- Pumpkin Decorating/Carving Contest
 - Facebook contest via polling
 - Winner will be announced the week of 10/16
 - Register for the contest through 10/11
- PTO Expo
 - 10/17 in Secaucus
 - Ideas for future planning
- Halloween Parade and Parties
 - Parades will be held at 10/31
 - Parent Square with details will be sent out
 - Party time should be coordinated with your teacher
 - Don't schedule your party for first thing in the morning

NOVEMBER

- Zombie Fun Run
 - 11/4 – save the date will be sent this week
 - Registration will open on Friday
 - Event includes a kids run & 5K for adults
 - Goal is to promote health, fitness, and community
 - PTO is partnering with the Green Brook Baseball Club
 - Snack Shack will be open
 - Shirts provided for those who register in advance (no shirts for tot race)
- Family Fun Event
 - Mini indoor golf
 - Date TBD
- Anti-Bullying Month
 - 11/13 - Bucket Fill Challenge will be held
 - Acts of kindness will be tallied
- Food Fundraising
 - 11/9 – Duck Donuts in Green Brook
 - 11/14 – Bread Café & Bakery in Green Brook
 - 11/16 – Outback in Green Brook
- GBMS Wellness Day
 - Will be held on 11/22
 - Volunteers are needed

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Committees & Volunteering

- Volunteer on Future Fund

- You will receive communication as the events take place

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Treasurer's Report – Miranda Konz & Bethany Dzedzic

- Miranda reviewed the Statement of Assets, Revenues & Expenses for the fiscal period ending YTD September 2023
 - Total Assets: \$51,210.49
 - Total Revenue: \$ 1,214.00
 - Total Expenses: \$ 1,034.00
 - Total Profit: \$ 180.00
- A motion to accept the reading of the financials was made. The motion was 2nd. All were in favor.
- Fun Run budget was proposed
 - \$7,000 revenue
 - \$4,000 expenses
 - \$3,000 profit
- A motion to accept and add Fun Run to the budget was made. The motion was 2nd. All were in favor.

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Secretary's Report – Tammi Wiley

- A motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the September 12, 2023, PTO Meeting was made. The motion was 2nd. All were in favor.

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Reminders

- Social hour is held prior to each PTO Meeting at 6:15 PM
- Spirit Waer is available year round
- Buddy Program
 - Pairing of parents has begun
 - Spanish speaking veteran parents are needed
- PTO volunteer protocols
 - Volunteer lanyard should be picked up in the office and worn

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Q&A Session

- No questions were asked

7:53 PM

Adjournment

- Melanie won a gift card to Capital Craft
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made. The motion was 2nd. All were in favor.

Next PTO Meeting:

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

7:00 PM

Location TBD

Thank you for supporting the Green Brook School District!