

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

AGMS PTO



December 13, 2024

Alexander Graham Middle School Media Center

Attachments: November AGMS PTO Executive Board meeting minutes; AGMS PTO November Financial Report

BOD Members present: Carolyn Floyd, Carla Hamilton, Thuy Tri, Anne Whalan, Mary Lindsay Evans, Jennifer Whitworth, Quinerly Cowden, Cecily Hudson, Tempie Largen, Mr. Conner, Kerri Porter

BOD Members Absent: Priya Roy

Meeting called to order at 8:55 am

Topics

1. Welcome & Approval of Minutes *Jennifer Whitworth*
 - Carolyn motioned to approve and Quinerly seconded. Minutes were approved.

2. President's Report *Jennifer Whitworth*
 - Jennifer is working with Mr. Conner to determine date for the staff winter luncheon. Mr. Conner needs a venue. Anne Whalan is a member at Sardis if they want to use the venue again.
 - Staff luncheon is on December 20th and Anne will distribute gift cards that time too. The hot cocoa bar will be during that time.
 - 2025 Calendar – team discussed 8th grade graduation date on June 10th at 1:30 pm
 - There were no committee updates
 - Mr. Conner needs to talk to CMS about the “away” bleachers being fixed or removed because they currently are a safety concern.
 - Mary Lindsay gave an update on the first meeting *Middle School Matters* book club. Team discussed starting it earlier in the year for the 2025-26 school year.
 - The team discussed the potential of having a parent liaison for clubs and/or band, orchestra, chorus.
 - Website – Quinerly gave an update to the team. Quinerly, Thuy, Priya and Kathy Bradley met and the website will need to be updated in the summer. It will cost \$2,000 to redesign. The PTO needs a volunteer that has website experience. Thuy mentioned that one option is using a virtual assistant. We can send an email to all committee chairs requesting a volunteer. Quinerly will put a statement in the January update in the Bulldog Bulletin about the need for someone with experience in WordPress.
 - We sponsored 15 families for Thanksgiving and 38 families for Christmas. About 5.4% of AG families are experiencing housing insecurity. The team discussed ways the PTO can continue to help families in need. Tempie discussed the program at Sharon Elementary called Sharon Cares and how they communicate needs to parents. The team agreed that this could be added to InReach Committee and the board would help to meet one-off needs as well.
 - Mr. Conner and Jennifer discussed a Bulldog Volunteer Day which could start one day a month and get a list of what teachers need (bathroom breaks, coffee, etc.)

3. Principal Report *Mr. Conner*
 - There will be a lot of testing in January when students return after the holiday break. Mr. Conner said I-Ready, MVPA 2, Access Testing will be all around the same time. The registration process for the 2025-26 school year will start earlier and have to be finished with scheduling by March 13th. Will shift from Powerschool to Infinite Campus.

4. Financial Report *Anne Whalan*
 - Currently at \$48,000 as of 12/12/24 for the AG fund. We are about \$17,000 off but will do another push
 - The AG parent social raised \$1,000 and the event cost about \$1,400 so it was smart to ask parents for donations to attend.

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- Spiritwear will not generate revenue. Carolyn suggested engaging a student led club to design the spiritwear moving forward. Students will be more excited if they are involved in the design.
- Back to school forms will be organized next year and start the AG Fund campaign in September. Team agreed that this time of year, families are feeling stretched.
- The “Bulldog Hall of Fame” is up and will work to post pictures on social media.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:25 am