

## PTO Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2026

6:00 pm

Mills Lawn

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.

**In Attendance:** Emily Gray, Liz Hohl, Hannah Sarnow, Megan Bachman, Gina Soldano, Fickert, Heather Massaro, Sachi Dixon, Maria Baker, Megan Meier, Lisa Varandani, Sheranita Hemphill, Brittany Keller

### Approval of Minutes

Emily moved to approve, Liz seconded. Approved unanimously.

### Finances

- [Treasurer Report](#) . Emily gave it (Doug absent). Current balance is \$37K, with inflows from talent night and Euchre night. Kroger rewards are an easy way to get additional support, including grandparents. Outflows are continuing to purchase teacher materials and \$431 for Black history month T-shirts for teachers.
- Any cash needed for upcoming events? [Dances](#).
- Remember to use the UPDATED [Debit Card Usage Form](#) and [PTO Member Reimbursement Form](#)

### Event Recaps/Old Business

- PTO Expansion - Small group met with Admin on 2/11
  - Emily reported that we would need to support all teachers, couldn't just support 5th/6th or 5th-8th. Costs would increase, but there are opportunities for fundraising at sports games. Events like Talent nights, Skate nights, are desired but we need to get more volunteers from the upper grades. Will meet again in the PTO expansion subcommittee at 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 11th, at the Emporium.
  - Immediate needs: hats, coats, gloves, clothes in nurses station. [May want to wait until next year so they don't have to move it.](#)
  - If stipends, snacks, and meals are provided for 5th/6th teachers, we need to include 7th-12th to keep things fair.
  - Possible PTO donation of outdoor equipment was discussed, likely not ready to be installed until next Spring. Small scale could be volleyballs, frisbees, jump ropes, footballs, etc.

- Talent Night. Liz reported that it went great; moving the dates impacted the attendance. Ms. Huber was a great MC. We broke even between expenses and flower sales. Sarah Amend, Justin Moon were very helpful with lighting and sound. Next year we might be at the new auditorium, and may have to coordinate with middle/high school for dates due to Spring musical. Sheranita said next year we will need more of a committee.
- Euchre Night: Liz reported that it went well, we made almost \$500. Only 16 players, the lowest we have had in some years. Expenses are minimal. We just have to get more people – Church bulletin boards, Senior Center. The chairs were busy so we weren't able to get the word out.

### **Teacher Requests:**

- Core experiences: K & 1 Boonshoft Museum, 4 Ohio Caverns, 6 Youngs Dairy. Also 3rd for Goat Yoga (per Becca). Liz suggested thinking about end-of-year activities or opportunities.

### **Upcoming/Ongoing Events**

- Skate Night, March 19. Liz moved to approve \$1,079 for skate rental. Approved unanimously.
- April State Testing - Approve budget asking for \$275. Lisa moved, Maria seconded. Approved unanimously.
- Bulldog Boogie - April 10, need chairs, approve a budget. Last year did \$600 between the two dances. This year we will coordinate – the 5th/6th should come up with the theme, then the decorations are the same. Emily moved to approve \$600, Sachi seconded. Approved unanimously.
- 5th/6th Grade Dance - April 11, need chairs, approve a budget. See above. Two dance committees will meet. Megan, Hannah, Brittany for Bulldog Boogie and Lisa & Charlee for 5th/6th. Heather suggested numerous themes, Around the World, Candyland, Galaxy, Glow Dance, Upside Down, Hollywood. (Megan will share Neon, Candyland, Enchanted Forest, Galaxy as ideas for the dances with Hemmerich to talk to the Student Council). Subcommittee will meet at 9 a.m. on Sunday at Dino's.
- Earth Day Clothing Swap - send out information before Spring Break? Event is Sunday, April 26th. Need for volunteers to sort the day of (4H, Mills Lawn Student Council).

### **New Business**

- Free screening of the film "Counted Out" at Little Art Theater 3/14 at 12:00. A good educational documentary about math. Will promote. For adults and older students.
- Ideas for Teacher Appreciation Week - May 4-8. Usually do 1-2 meals, fit with the theme (Principal usually picks it).

- Other event ideas: Bingo Night with grandfriends (but prizes are white elephants and sales of food and dobbers).

Next meeting is Monday, April 13th. The May meeting is when we select dates for events and co-chairs, as well as officers for the following year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 a.m.