



## DRAFT - General PTO Meeting Minutes

11/09/2022

### **ATTENDED BY**

See attached attendance list.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by HEATHER BARROW on November 9, 2022 at 6:04pm.

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous General PTO meeting (September 22, 2022) by Beth Lane and seconded by Lori Black. The motion to approve the minutes passes unanimously.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Heather Barrow reporting)**

Thank you to the attendees for showing up, volunteering, and donating. We have donated goodies to the teachers for Halloween and they were able to trick-or-treat in their rooms. We had Freaky Fun Food Friday on 10/28/22 and sold food and treats over the lunch hour. We are providing pies for our teachers for Thanksgiving. We are providing teachers and staff with a holiday lunch in January. On a grateful note - we are close to our fundraising goals. The next meeting is Wed Jan 11 at 6pm in the Grand Hall. The chair of the Alumni Center wants volunteers to hold March 25th for the alumni touring event. A signup genius is forthcoming.

### **TREASURE'S REPORT (Sook Miller absent Heather Barrow reporting)**

We are on track to be able to fund the events and needs we have scheduled. Corporate sponsorships have also neared their goal.

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Principal Graves reporting)**

Report cards for the second grading cycle will be published soon.. It was a short 5-week cycle. If you know your kids were out please turn in sick notes or doctor appointment notes. Being home sick still counts as an absence in the 90% attendance tracking, but doctor notes make it easier for the attendance committee to give options for your student to retain course credit. Please contact your parent liaison representative when your child is absent. To get approved for a college tour, go through your assistant principal. You can get two approved college tours. Nov 30, 2022 LHS will host a parent event to learn more about the IB diploma and career diploma for 10th grade families. LHS was officially recognized as the world's largest IB school. We have more kids being exposed to college level work in 11th and 12th grade than any other IB school in the world.. School leaders met with CTE officials and went through industry certification requirements for those programs.

Computer Science classes will be able to obtain a certification in Python this spring. It is new as a language of study for the district.

The school is still looking for support to complete and open the animal grooming clinic in the spring. Hoping a foundation or other type of funding source will come through.

There was a fight today, it was outside during lunch, and no one was seriously injured. Kids who follow the rules stay safe on this campus. Encourage your students to respect the rules and cooperate.

Addressing a concern about athletics being 5 points of credit. This is not happening - it is a rumor. The highest point level you can receive for athletics is 4pts and there is an option for pass/fail if you have already received your 4 pt athletic credit. Student led conferences are where you plan out what courses you take and what GPA points you receive.

Update on the field lights. The contractor has a supply chain issue. As soon as they arrive, they are ready for their 2 weeks of work. Hoping before the end of 2022.

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We might need to find a sponsorship for the robotics team to fly to Iowa because they have qualified for a national competition.

### **TEACHER WISH LIST REPORT (Stephanie Willis absent Heather Barrow reporting)**

We completed our teacher wishlist. We will soon have a spring teacher wishlist and will ask the teachers to start their ideas and wants. There is a deadline of December 22, with a goal to get the items into the classrooms in January.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Tonya Anderson absent Heather Barrow reporting)**

We are much lower on PTO membership than last year, and hope more parents and teachers join. There is no cost associated with joining. Next week we will have a 72-hr membership drive push for Thanksgiving and will send an email out to the entire school

### **CORPORATE GIVING (Moya Varner)**

We have three new larger sponsors. We are still short of our goal. If you know any businesses that might sponsor, please talk to them.

### **CLASS OF 2023 (Sarah Thweatt)**

Senior event takes place next Tuesday and breakfast tacos will be provided. Volunteers are already signed up. LHS Fest is in full swing for planning. The planning committee has already met and the chairs are set. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities coming up. February 4th will be "Senior Snow Day." If you are a senior parent, please pay your dues now so the fun activities can begin. There is an early bird discount, so it is to your advantage to pay now.

### **CLASS OF 2024 (Jenny Wood)**

There was a "Fruity Snack Attack" in October with popsicles and Capri Suns.

### **CLASS OF 2025 (Kristine Martinez & Leslie Wubbenhorst)**

Looking forward to the next social. They have an active and engaged class FB page. Accepting ideas for how to use the sophomore fun money.

### **CLASS OF 2026 (Allison Teheng)**

They are leaning toward giving funds to the neighborhoods for either sprucing up their spaces or for a fun project.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Anjanette Blewer, President, at 6:42pm.  
Respectfully submitted by Jenny Beech, Secretary.

Approved at the Lamar PTO GENERAL/BOARD meeting on DATE.