



# General PTO Meeting Minutes - Approved

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November 11, 2020

## **ATTENDED BY**

See attached attendance list.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 5:33pm by Chrysi Polydoros, President, on November 11, 2020 via Teams Meeting.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous General PTO meeting (October 7, 2020) by Beth Lane and seconded by Kara Richardson. The motion to approve the minutes carried without opposition.

## **VOTING**

None

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Principal Rita Graves reported on the following:

- Yearbook pictures are currently under way for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grades. Virtual students need to schedule an appointment.
- Seniors who did not have their portraits taken during the on-campus senior photos, will need to make an appointment with the studio. These pictures will be used in the event of a Virtual Graduation Ceremony, so it's important that all seniors have their portraits taken.
- The IB3 Program Evaluation visit began today. A team observes classrooms remotely and meets with groups to talk about our program and provide feedback.
- There were some technical issues with the mandatory whole school meeting, but there are 3 important issues Ms. Graves wants the students to be aware of:
  - Students must submit assignments and attend all synchronous classes. To receive credit for a course, students must meet the attendance requirements and a passing grade.
  - Teachers should be adhering to the 90-minute model. If they are not, students are encouraged to reach out to their Assistant Principals.
  - There are 3 District Required Training Videos for students that need to be completed by Friday, November 13.
- Senior Movie Night coming up this Saturday, November 14.
- STARR retest opportunities are coming up in December.
- Final Exams schedule has been released and they will take place in January instead of December.

Questions:

1. Where are the LCT Learning Classes posted? On the HUB, under courses – District Required Training. There is also a click sheet posted on Ms. Graves Instagram.



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2. Will the photo sessions for the off-campus kids be in the drive-thru? Yes, you can drive-thru, drop them off and return to pick up.
3. Is there a dress code for the photos? Seniors need to take their Senior photos with Prestige Portraits. Call to set up an appointment. The contact information can be found in the newsletter and website.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Chrysi Polydoros reported on the following:

- Anne Savage, Teacher Appreciation Chair, has arranged a Thanksgiving luncheon on the Thursday before our break. The December Teacher Appreciation will be a take-home event where the teachers can choose between an assortment of baked goods. We will partner with the Loving Lamar Community to do something special using the HEB \$1000 Gift card.
- Please remember to donate to the Alamo Closet for Wrap Around Services at Lamar. Items can be purchased through an Amazon wish list and will be sent directly to Lamar. Links to the wish list have been sent out. Receipts can be sent to Chrysi Polydoros, President, for tax deduction documentation. Shoes and outer wear are especially needed.

### **TREASURE'S REPORT**

Jenny Koong presented the treasurer report with activity as of November 11, 2020. See attached report.

- The LBRC donation – this is a one-time Income item from the Lamar Business Resource Council. They have closed their non-profit and are donating their remaining assets to the PTO.
- Big & Bright is still below budget. We have received several Corporate Match donations.
- Corporate Sponsorship below last year's budget, but is getting there.
- College Workshops have done really well, bringing in unexpected income.
- Please remember to sign up for the Affinity Programs through AmazonSmile, Kroger, and Randalls.
- The Expenses looks good so far, but Teacher Wish Lists and Beautification have not spent their budgets.
- Internal Financial Review Committee has completed its review. Our accountant is still waiting on the IRS submission to be completed by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Heather Hajdik, IFR Committee Chair, will then be able to present a full report.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Tonya Anderson reported on the current status of Membership and the Big & Bright Campaign. She reminded everyone that the PTO supports numerous campus and student events and is predominantly funded by B&B donations.

- 306 PTO Families



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- 114 Big & Bright Families
- We've currently raised about \$41,000. We still need about \$30,000 in B&B Donations by December 1<sup>st</sup> to reach our goal of \$70,000 for the year.

## **TEACHER WISH LIST REPORT**

Ilse Rassin presented the TWL updates:

- The Spring 2020 wish lists are wrapping up. We're still waiting on some choir dresses.
- An invite has been sent to the teachers for the Fall 2020 wish list. The deadline is December 4<sup>th</sup> to submit their requests. Ms. Graves will approve the requested items and the executive board will vote on the final requests. The PTO allots a \$1500 grant for each teacher.
- The Spring 2021 Wish Lists will begin in January.

## **CLASS OF 2021 REPORT**

Becky Zavala, committee co-chair, gave an update on the Class of 2021 events:

- Senior Night is scheduled for this Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. The students will watch Grownups on the soccer field and receive a snack bag and drink. The PTO has purchased a Class of 2021 beach towel for every graduating senior that will be handed out at movie night. The seniors will use the towels to maintain proper social distancing. Students need to sign up by Wednesday evening.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chrysi Poydoros thanked the Corporate Sponsors for their support:

Greenwood King Properties  
Stormy Hayes-Knipe at Martha Turner, Sotheby's International Realty  
Southwest Oral & Implant Surgery  
Elite Care  
eConserve – Water Conservation Solutions  
RT Logo  
Sally Ring, Attorney at Law  
HEB  
Charlie's Bar-B-Que

The updated PTO Calendar will be posted on the PTO website.

Ms. Graves thanked our Veterans for their service.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chrysi Polydoros, President, at 6:02pm and followed by a College Workshop Wednesday presentation.

Respectfully submitted by Casey Schultz, Secretary.

## **NOVEMBER 11, 2020 GENERAL PTO ATTENDANCE**

Trendell, Maggie P
Chrysi Polydoros (Guest)
Wolken, Koen
Stroud, Susan
Sonya Hernandez (Guest)
Kara Richardson
Penny Linsenmayer (Guest)
Tonya Anderson (Guest)
Argil, Janelle
Pullin, Rebecca
Gina Murnane
Graves, Rita K
Gretchen H (Guest)
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Susan Stroud (Guest)
Ronelle (Guest)
Lane, Susanna
Jenny Koong (Guest)
Neumann, Stephanie
Leah Eknoyan
Schultz, Casey
Rassin, Sophia
Zavala, Becky (B)



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Wood, Jennifer
Ranft, Kaitlyn
Keith Wilson
Vessels, Karen L
Barcot, Noah
Andrea Ranft (Guest)
Hajdik, Heather
Hurd, Zachary
Paige Gill (Guest)
Virani, Ameer
Rose Michalec
Heather Barrow
Dominguez
Chou, Jesse
Larry Lawyer
Leon, Marisol
Kesha McNeil
Williams, Lauren
Nicole Broyles (Guest)
Germann, Ali
Walji, Sameer
Virani, Sana
Nicole Broyles (Guest)
Khosla, Samik
Reyes, Rogelio
Schufreider, Joffrey
Sally Ring (Guest)
Smith, Ronald



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