

Minutes
PTO General Session Minutes
September 24th, 2019 at 6:00pm
Academy Charter School, MS Science Room 221

ACS PTO Mission Statement

The mission of the ACS PTO is to align resources with the vision and direction of the school to enrich the learning environment while empowering parents, teachers and students for success. The PTO's main role is to supplement the school's budget through various fundraising efforts while maintaining and encouraging community spirit.

Attendees: Katie DeMaria, Minda Spoone, Yolanda Webb, Aive Yturralde, Regina Caskey, Michelle Alexander, Hillary Fendrich, Steven Ferrel, Erin McMilon.

Parents: Rayne Sommers, Jane Strom, Jennifer Jones, Sandra Lee.

Proxies: Heather Schetter, Rebecca Erickson and Katie Buchanan

1. Meeting called to order at 6:06pm
2. President's Report (Katie DeMaria on behalf of Katie Buchanan)
 - a. Vote on August 20th working session minutes, Minda Spoone motion to approve, Katie DeMaria, Second. All approved as drafted.
 - b. Vote on new positions for the Board:
 - i. Yolanda Webb -social committee,
 - c. Regina Caskey used uniform position,
 - d. Paola Rosenbaum fundraising committee.
 - i. Ballots were distributed for voting, 15 for (including 3 proxies)/1 abstain for the above candidates. All above members were voted in, congratulations!
3. Communications (Katie D on behalf of Heather Schetter)
 - a. Discussed that the board needs to have communications to Heather for the weekly blast no later than Sunday at 10pm so the email can go out on Tuesday/Wednesday.
4. Social Report (Yolanda Webb/Rhiannon Metzger)
 - a. Teacher conferences potluck was a success. Teachers really enjoyed it and the left overs.
 - b. Next event will be held on October 24th- Trail mix bar for the teachers
 - i. Sign up genius will be sent out soon

5. Fundraising Report (Paola Rosenbaum, Melissa Palmer and Rebecca Erickson)
 - a. Spirit nights- all dates have been posted to the calendar
 - i. Next Spirit night is at Freddy's on September 26th, 2019
 - b. Fall Fund Raisers
 - i. Read A-Thon- Mid reading logs were due today, 09/24/2019
 - a. 10/1- Donations due
 - b. 10/11- Prize Day
 - ii. Fall Festival- Date change due to Meadows food truck frenzy, now being held on October 25, 2019 from 6-8:30 more information to come.
 - iii. Discussion on what we are fundraising for 2019/2020 School year.
 1. Committee is still working on, should have a final decision on Friday
 - iv. Vote on Holiday Shop being held December 9-13, Minda Motion to approve, Michelle Alexander, Second, all approved
6. Enrichment Report (Minda Spoone)
 - a. All programs have now started for the fall session
 - i. Cooking class was sold out immediately, will have another offering on Thursdays starting next week
 - ii. Had to cancel Legos as only 4 students had signed up
 - iii. Discussed additional programs, including Debate, Chess, taekwondo
 - iv. Any ideas for new programs? Let Minda know
7. Treasurer's Report
 - a. 400 students have prepaid for dress of choice days
 - b. Field day concessions raised \$582
 - c. Spirit nights- checks have come in from two spirit nights last school year- Rita's. We also raised \$150 with the Smart Cow Spirit night
 - d. Discussed Corporate Sponsorship amounts
 - e. Edu kits raised \$1,072 (expecting another check)
 - f. Vote on budget, Motion by Michelle Alexander, Second Minda Spoone, approved as proposed for the FY19/20 school year (see attached)
 - g. Teachers are able to make 1 request from each bucket (Classroom supplies and continuing education) from August until April and they may make additional requests if remaining money in budget
 - h. Vote on Teacher Requests for assistance with 8th grade fieldtrip- Expedition to Mars- \$1,800. Motion to approve by Michelle, Second by Regina, all approved
 - i. Angela McWilliams requested \$315 to attend the counselor Association conference, approved
 - j. Jon has provided a breakdown of the money spent by ACS that was given by the PTO in May 2019:
 - i. 30 I-Pads
 - ii. Furniture- 5 desks, 4 lateral filing cabinets, bookcases
 - iii. Saxon Math Curriculum

8. SAC Report- no updates, first meeting is tonight, September 24th.
9. School Store Report (Aive Yturralde)
 - a. First school store will be held October 11, 2019 during lunch.
 - b. Going forward the School store will be open once a month coinciding with the PTO Dress of Choice day
 - c. Will be sending out sign up genius to help out
10. Box Tops (Michelle Alexander)
 - a. Have lots of contests going for the month of September
 - b. Trying to get more parent involvement with Box Tops app
 - c. Next submission deadline is November 1
 - d. Email for Box Tops to help track parent earnings
 - i. acsptoboxtops@gmail.com
11. Used Uniform Sales Report (Katie Buchanan)
 - a. PTO board to go through used uniform back stock, organize, and prepare for sale on September 28th.
 - b. Next used uniform sale will be during the Fall Festival on October 25, 2019
12. Shopper Rewards
 - a. We receive quarterly payments- have received \$900 to date
13. Elementary/Middle School Report (Ms. Fendrich and Mr. Ferrel)
 - a. Teachers wanted to say THANK YOU for the parent teacher conference Potluck, it was very nice and appreciated
 - b. Teachers wanted to say THANK YOU to the PTO and Governing Board for their ACS Polos.
 - c. Kindergarten:
 - i. Learning about school
 - ii. Johnny Appleseed day is coming- everyone is very excited about dressing up and participating in this day
 - iii. 5th grade will be starting book buddies with the Kindergarteners
 - d. 1st Grade:
 - i. Mesopotamia, Cave of the winds fieldtrip
 - e. 2nd Grade:
 - i. Learning about the US Constitution
 - ii. Had their own classroom signing of the Constitution
 - iii. Science- learning about the human body
 - f. 3rd Grade:
 - i. Learning about Rome
 - g. 4th Grade: no updates
 - h. 5th Grade: Learning about:
 - i. World lakes,
 - ii. Maya, Aztec and Inca's
 - iii. Plants

- i. 6th Grade:
 - i. Greek Mythology
 - ii. Science: the scientific method and lab reports
 - iii. Math: Fractions and divisibility

 - j. 7th and 8th Grade:
 - i. Spanish: Spanish Countries, nouns and verbs
 - ii. Math: Light Turns, Compass, Algebra, combining like terms
 - iii. Technology: MS Word Applications
 - iv. 8th: Preparing for their fieldtrip to the Challenger on October 21st
 - v. 7th learning about the Human Body
14. Principals Report (Erin McMilon)
- a. September 26th – Freddy’s Spirit Night
 - b. September 27th – Dress of Choice day (free)
 - c. October 3rd- Picture Retake
 - d. October 7-9th- 6th Grade Outdoor Education
 - e. October 9th- Governing board meeting at 7pm
 - f. October 11th- Paid Dress of Choice (PTO)
 - g. October 14-18th Fall Break
 - h. October 22nd- Spirit Night at Chick Fil A (both locations)
 - i. October 25th- Fall Festival
 - j. October 31- ½ day and Halloween Parade
15. Next Working and General Meeting- November 21, 2019 at 5pm and 6pm in the MS classroom 221.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm