

PTO Minutes

March 18, 2026

In Attendance: Kenlyn Laureys, Sarah Lundell, Ashlyn Irk, Alice Nesvold, Tara Bush, Tori Balanow, Jessica Warner, Angel Rosas, Amber Clark, Forest-Ann Sherk, Emily Solmos, Jessica Van't Hof. Via Video: None

1. Call to order: 2:12
2. Obtain signed Code of Conduct (Ashlyn)
3. Update from Mrs Bush
 - a. Fun Fair
 - i. No issues to report
 - b. Staff Luncheon
 - i. Everyone loved it
 - c. IRead update
 - i. Portals have scores. Letters went out in the mail also
 - d. May 5th - Olive is a polling location, no in-school instruction. Zoom instruction for Olive students only.
 - e. September 1st and 2nd, 2026 are corporate work days (no school, no e-learning)
4. Treasurers Report (Allie)
 - a. Balance as 3/17/26
 - i. \$15,000
 - b. Fun Fair
 - i. Budget = \$7,000
 - ii. Expenses = \$7,800
 - iii. Profit = \$5,150
 - c. Texas Roadhouse Giveback: \$75.73
 - d. Spirit Wear Profit: \$50.01
 - e. Need to purchase more balls for recess cart
5. Officer Election
 - a. Nominations are now closed
 - i. Sarah Lundell was sole nominee for Vice President
 - ii. Alice Nesvold was sole nominee for Treasurer
 - b. With no other nominations, they accepted the positions for two more years
6. School Wide Fun Events
 - a. April 2nd - Egg Hunt
 - i. Collect items: March 23-27
 - ii. Fill eggs: March 31 from 8-12 cst
 1. Need more volunteers
 - b. May 14th - Field Day
 - i. Need to know cost of the shirts

- c. Foam party for 2026-2027 school year
 - i. Kenlyn will research costs
- 7. Kindergarten Open House
 - a. 3-24-2026
 - b. Signing Station, spirit wear, EPI display, snack, stuffed tigers i. Alice will purchase the snack
 - c. Welcome letter completed
 - d. Volunteers:
 - i. Kenlyn, Amber, Jessica
- 8. Fundraising
 - a. EPI School Supply Fundraiser
 - i. 4/15-5/20
 - ii. Not doing headphones this year
- 9. Giveback
 - a. Kona Ice and Toms Coffee truck May 22, 1-4 cst
 - i. Need copy of St. Joseph Co. Health Department certificate
- 10. Scholarship (Cindy)
 - a. Accepting applications through 4/1
 - b. Number of applicants so far: only 1
 - c. Mrs. Bush will repost on facebook
- 11. Communication
 - a. Incoming kindergarten families will be directed to PTO website for EPI sales
- 12. Staff Appreciation Week May 4-8
 - a. Remaining staff appreciation budget: \$1,649
 - b. First planning meeting: Thursday, March 19 at 8 PM cst via Microsoft Teams
 - c. Gift options
 - i. Air fryer for staff lounge
 - 1. Jessica W will research costs
 - ii. Mother Wilmas marshmallows
 - 1. Sarah will reach out
- 13. 5th grade graduation gifts
 - a. Budget of \$2,000
 - b. T-shirts. Mugs or blankets - Sarah to email fifth grade teachers to poll students
- 14. Next PTO Meeting - Wed., April 15 at 2:10 cst in the Tiger's Den