



# Meeting Minutes

*Thursday, September 15, 2022 6:00pm*  
*In-person Meeting called by Ashley Ptacek*

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## In Attendance

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Deanna Larios, Ashley Ptacek, Sue McMahon, Srinivas Varanasi, Karthikeyan Sundalamethi, Carlye Sherrill, Ramacharantya Gangula, VeenaSai Modhuri Chinnam, Jessica Erickson

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## Future Meetings

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**Board Meetings:** First Tuesday of the month @6:00pm

**PTO Meetings:** Third Thursday of the month @6:00pm

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## Welcome, Introductions, and Purpose

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Ashley welcomed everyone and read our purpose. Introductions were made around the group.

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## Discussion

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- **Finances:**
  - \$600 was made at the uniform swap.
  - We're in good financial standing.
  - Continuing to purchase more art for the school to add to new building.
- **Old Business:**
  - Back to school night: was a success, teachers liked food trucks--just stay open later, uniform swap would be better on 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- **New Business:**
  - Money Requests: Ashley proposed guidelines for requests, we approved \$150 for Mr. Robb's band drum set request
  - Next PTO Meeting: changed to Oct. 13 because of MEA, we will include dates in school newsletters along with meeting agendas
  - Pizza Friday: resuming again and need volunteers
  - Conferences, Book fair, and staff potluck dinner: coming up Oct. 17-21<sup>st</sup>
  - Trunk or Treat: October 27, having more food trucks this year
  - Self defense class for students: possibly Nov. 3, possibly ask for donations from participants
  - Astronomy Night: Nov. 15, discussed possibly staggering grades, having a book exchange, having stations and maybe hot cocoa

- Movie Nights and Book exchanges: suggestions made to start doing them again
- Grade Level nights: suggestion made to have meetings with teachers and other parents to build community
- Craft Boutique: Discussed having one Friday evening and Saturday Nov. 18-19, advertising in the Woodbury Bulletin, doing concessions as a fundraiser, will benefit showing off our school to the community.
- Uniform Swap: Hope to have at many events, could use hangers and racks for clothes, and suggestion to have earlier in the summer before school starts.
- Restaurant nights: possibilities at Zupas, Culvers, Punch Pizza, Ray Jays
- Gertens: discussed doing a fundraiser through them
- APEX: fun run/fundraiser will be held in January in the gym
- Long term plan/goals: how to keep the "small school" community feel as the school grows, get older students getting more involved (possibly buddying with younger kids, helping make posters/volunteer for school events), hope to have a big end-of-the-year carnival
- Questions: adding sports to after-school activities, school lunch (go to board of directors to push for it), field trips (starting up again after Covid).

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### Upcoming Events

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- Conferences: October 18-19
- Staff potluck dinner: October 18
- Book fair: October 17-21
- Trunk of Treat: October 27

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### Next Meeting

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PTO Meeting: Thursday, October 13 @ 6:00

Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 11 @ 6:00

Motion to adjourn was made.