



Longleaf Elementary PTO

Minutes

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| Date: | July 28, 2023 |
| Time: | 10:06 am |
| Meeting called to order by: | Kristina Richard |

Executive board

Kristina Richard (President), Erica Blackledge (Treasurer), Ryan Robertson (Secretary)

In attendance: Sheryl Brown, Becky Donohue, Alyson Tweedy, Eddy Lynn Kledzik, Cari Smith, Ashley Lehman, Casey Krause, Kristin Jones, Desireé Biolansky, Tanya Stutzman, Skylar Adams, Jason Sherburne, Rick Dillon, Danielle Hausman, Larissa Gaines, Taylor Rodriguez

Approval of minutes

The Minutes were approved for the May 10th, 2023 meeting by Erica Blackledge.

Principals report

- Looking forward to the new year. We are fully staffed instruction wise. Mr. Sherburne welcomes new hires, Mrs. Adams (3rd grade), Ms. Rodriguez (music), & Ms. Tomlin (ESE resource teacher)
- The school board has approved bringing back the media assistant position
- Southland Lawn has donated 14 pallets of sod for the playground
- The buildings are being painted inside and the custodians are preparing for the students' return.

Treasurer report

Please see Financial Activity Report

Old business

- The gaga pit has not been purchased. Steps needed to be taken with insurance and a survey to be done before purchase. Volunteers will help with install.

New business

- A new secretary, Ryan Robertson, was appointed by the president, Kristina Richard. (per the bylaws, one may be appointed if a vacancy occurs)
- PTO requests volunteers for Meet the Teacher in the cafeteria. Help with merch table and passing out PTO literature.
- PTO requests help with kindergarten Tears & Cheers breakfast on Aug.15 from 8-8:30am.
- PTO has a new website. Everyone is encouraged to scan the QR code and create a sign in. There will be signups for events and pertinent information on this site.
<https://longleaf.ptboard.com/home>
- \$5 dues will be collected at the August meeting, which was previously voted on at September 2022 meeting.

Open floor

- Desireé voices concerns over disconnect with parents and the perceived opinions of what PTO is about.
- Ms. Kledzik suggests maybe having a craft or activity for kids to bring more parents to the meetings.
- Ms. Donohue suggests offering a form for parents to fill out where they can select events or jobs that interest them and to reach out to them as needed. She also inquired about how to request money for grant.

- Tanya suggests parents being able to have more input on creation of events and activities the PTO put on.
- Danielle inquired about PTO amazon account and how chairs can make requests to have items purchased for their events.
- Ashley would like to be added to the agenda for next month's meeting to discuss the field trip committee and how we can help offset fieldtrip prices for parents.
- Kristina adds that there are some changes being made to the bylaws that will be discussed at the next meeting. Also, that PTO will be making more strides to get information out to parents via website, display case at front of the school and via email.

Adjournment

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