



Final General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 14, 2021
Location: Zoom

Handouts

- [Meeting Agenda](#)
- Draft PTO General Meeting Minutes, May 2021 (for approval)
- Treasurer's Report and Proposed 2021-2022 Budget

Agenda

1. Welcome to our first General Meeting of the School Year!
 - **2021-2022 PTO Board Introduction**
2. Board Updates:
 - **Panda Wear: Order by Friday, September 17th**
 - **After School Enrichment: Lottery closes Saturday, September 18th at 9pm**
 - **Jog-a-thon: Volunteers for Sponsorships and Planning. Email jogathon@parkviewpto.org for details.**
 - **Door Prize Raffle! Free Panda Tee or Hat for Winner**
 - **Treasurer's Report and 2021-2022**
3. Administrative Items
 - **Approve Meeting Minutes from May General Meeting**
 - **Next General Meeting: Tuesday, November 9th**
4. Transportation Committee Update (Lindsay Poynter)
5. Update from Mylo Allen, Principal
6. Open Forum

Welcome

The meeting is called to order by Amy at 6:30 pm with a welcome.

2021-2022 PTO Board Introduction

Each board member introduced themselves.

PRESIDENT: AMY CHESBROUGH

VP OF COMMUNICATION: ALISON SCHEPPER

VP OF FUNDRAISING KELLEY O'CONNOR-RIVERS

VP OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: JEANETTE SHORT

VP OF ENRICHMENT: MORGAN LINGBLOOM

TREASURER: MARGO GILLASPY

JR. TREASURER: ALASIA CANARES

SECRETARY: SUZIE HONG

Board Updates

1. **Panda Wear:** Order by Friday, September 17th - New design by Mrs. Herndon, 4th grade Parkview Teacher. You can purchase it online. Find link on PTO website. For youth sizes, order one size up. There will be an opportunity to purchase Panda Wear in the Spring.
2. **After School Enrichment:** Due to complications of the pandemic, there will be a lottery to draw names for registration. Entries for the lottery accepted 9/16/21 - 9/18/21 at 9pm. Lottery closes Saturday, September 18th at 9pm. Classes begin the week of 9/27/21 and run through the week of 10/25/21. The PTO is seeking feedback on this new registration system.
3. **Jog-a-thon:** The PTO received approval to hold our annual Jog-a-thon event at the new school. The PTO is finalizing the logistics and date. Two potential dates for the event are 10/22/21 and 10/29/21. The PTO is seeking volunteers for the Jog-a-thon Event Planning Committee and the Jog-a-thon Sponsorship Committee. Working on Jogathon sponsorship, T-shirts, and volunteers. Sign up to volunteer on the PTO website or send an email to jogathon@parkviewpto.org
4. **Door Prize Raffle:** Free Panda Tee or Hat for Winner - Cindy Scott is the Winner of the raffle!
5. **Treasurer's Report and Budget:** Projecting we are able to do fundraising this school year. PTO has not had the usual expenses of things like field trips, in person events, etc.

Administrative Items

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May General Meeting: Amy Chesbrough made a Motion to approve the minutes. Morgan Lingbloom seconds the Motion. The May General Meeting minutes are approved.
2. Next General Meeting: Tuesday, November 9th

Transportation Committee Update (Lindsay Poynter)

In July 2021, WSDOT awarded the City of Bellingham a \$1.6 million dollar Safe Route to School grant with the Bellingham School District contributing \$150,000 toward the local match funding requirements. The details of this project can be found ([2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#)) (see Project #9). Construction will not start until 2023. Many attendees provided feedback and concern about the safety of the current route to school for pedestrians and bikers.

The following possible solutions that can be done between now and when the scheduled improvements begin in 2023 were suggested by meeting attendees:

- additional crosswalks
- additional signage
- possibly send the bikes and buses to Coolidge street when the construction is complete.
- crossing Guards - ok with the Bellingham school district. How to implement this? Would need to be a partnership with the school, community, possibly PTO to facilitate.
- have more staff or volunteers to help facilitate arrival and dismissal.
- have a clear process for arrival and drop off. Have designated individuals at pick up and drop off encouraging people to follow the process.

Update from Mylo Allen, Principal

1. Components of the new school construction will be going on for the 2021 - 2022 school year.
2. Formal bus loop off of Coolidge is projected to be finished Mid October.
3. The Playground construction has been delayed due to a fire at the manufacturer. Hope to be complete sometime this fall. The playground will have synthetic turf, multiple features, and a design theme that ties into Cornwall Park. The playground will be located near the amphitheater seating. Climbing structures will be placed there.
4. The new competition sized gym will be the last part of the project to be completed. It will be built in the location of the old kindergarten classrooms.
5. Things are going well in the new school. Would like to have an in-person event for families in the future to have the opportunity to explore the new school space.

Meeting called to a close at 7:30pm.