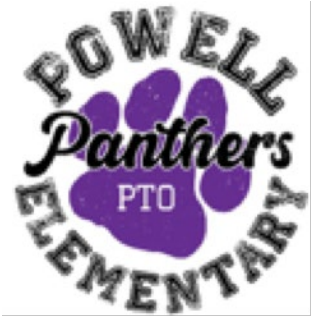


General Meeting Minutes
Aug 21, 2024-11:30 am



Powell PTO Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order and Welcome

Caroline Kohli called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. and welcomed everyone. We are so excited we have a good turnout and so many people joining us. Asked people who came in to sign in, grab an agenda and a PTO printout for any questions anyone might have on where donations and funds go. She talked about our Spirit store being still open and closes Aug 30, 2024. It is very helpful for kindergarteners especially to get one so they can use for special events to be able to recognize the kids and also to show school spirit. Last thing in the packet is the sponsorship options.

Approval of Previous minutes

Caroline requested approval from last year's last meeting minutes on May 8, 2024 Amanda approved those minutes and Alexis seconds the motion, the motion carried.

Principal's Report

Erin Anderson reported that Powell now has 830 kids enrolled and pretty steady and a good number for our school. Meet the teacher had a great turnout and we have parent information night coming up on Monday. This will be a great time to hear from child's teacher about what to expect throughout the year. Also each weekday we are hoping kids are excited to come and join us and be ready to learn. This year we have many new teachers (SPED, 3rd and 4th especially).

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** Alexis is director of membership. 129 members right now with incentives going on for the most enrolled per class in each grade and also grade level competition. Numbers should show in social media by Friday.
- **Fundraising:** Amanda gave her report for Spirit Night/Day. We get 20% approx. back and helps fund things. It's wonderful to join and the kids get to see their friends and teachers. Chik-fil-a is the next one coming up as we are trying to have one monthly. We also have spirit wear and we get some money back to also go to the kids and teachers of this school. We also are working with Inchbug and we get back a percentage for your purchase of labels, silicones for

water bottles and any other products they offer. Book Fair coming up and we will have a sign up come out and help to support our library.

- **Programs:** Jessica is in charge of field trips and coordinating in house fun things like Jingle Jam.
- **Audit:** Nikki introduced herself
- **Silent Auction:** No Update
- **Grocery Programs:** No Update
- **Staff Appreciation:** Samantha talked about her involvement with staff appreciation and will be planning to send out sign ups as every other month she will have something for the teachers through “Treat your Teach”.
- **Beautification:** Samantha is also in charge of this and will soon begin to see how to help beatify our school.
- **Yearbook:** Ann & Nikki presented themselves as they will be in charge of yearbook and spirit wear under fundraising.
- **Hospitality:** No Update
- **Lost & Found:** Abbi said hello and talked about maintaining lost and found under control by donating things that are not picked up every month beginning on Sept 5th. She will be checking for names on items to help get them back to their owners but once it is donated you will not find it again so please try to stay on top of your lost items and take advantage of our partnership with Inchbugs so you can label your kids items.
- **Treasurer:** Natalie introduced herself and explained she manages the funds and checks that go out. Kari works with her as well.
- **Auditor:** Nikki Adams will be doing this as well as dressing up as Pride. Cassie Westfall is also an Auditor.
- **Communications:** Becca talked about her role with creating tickets and online things and oversees Kelly with social media posts.
- **Sponsorships:** Audrey introduced herself and explained she is looking for sponsors and anyone who wants to help out our school. If you know of anyone please contact her. She is also the music room parent.
- **Corporate Grants:** Ashling is in charge of these grants and helping get some money from corporate matching from different companies for your time spent volunteering. Please be sure to contact her if the company you or your spouse work for has this option. You can always check with HR to see their options.
- **Volunteers:** Alison is in charge of volunteers for our events and many times helps put together our sign up genius’.

Open Discussion:

Purple Ticket cart - Will be something we will be putting together and each item will have a price to trade in the kids purple tickets on a rolling cart. Sign up genius will come out for donations to fill our cart (squishes, vinyl stickers, trinkets etc). It will also vary for grade level and what they like at each age range.

Watchdogs- contact Mrs. Davis to sign up

Room Moms- teachers handle this now and decorating jobs that might come up

Volunteering- volunteer form on Cheddar up you can sign up and then we will reach out to those who offered and if it works for you great and if not maybe the next time it will work out. Also fill out background check through CISD and have ready beforehand.

Upcoming Events

- Aug 26- Parent Information Night. Kinder thru 2nd grade from 5-5:45pm and 3rd-4th grade from 6-6:45pm
- Aug 28- (9-10am)- PTO at Black Walnut for coffee and talking. It's a come and go event.
- Aug 30- Spirit Wear closes, please make purchases before.
- Sept. 5- Lost & Found Donation day
- Sept. 6- Sponsorship forms due
- Sept.9- Sign up for PTO to win fun incentives
- Sept. 16-20- Book Fair & Read for a better life
- Sept. 26- Spirit Night- Chik-Fil-A (Alden Bridge location)
- Oct. 16- Next PTO General Meeting at 11:30am in the Library

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Next PTO Meeting: Tuesday October 16, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. in the library.

Minutes compiled by Leslie Loayza, Powell PTO Secretary