

GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL PTA

**GHS PTA Meeting Minutes
General Business Meeting
December 5, 2023
Media Center - 7:00pm**

PRESENT

See Attendance Sheet

Call to Order - Peter Bernstein and Lisa Sylvester

- Peter called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Principal Updates - Ralph Mayo

- Holiday concerts (band, orchestra and chorus) are starting and are always a delightful evening.
- New big screen monitor (fourteen 55" televisions) will be installed in the Student Center.
- Entryway project:
 - Project is operating on time and on budget.
 - Heat and AC will be installed in the glass corridor as part of the project.
 - Please consider purchasing personalized bricks to support the Entryway project.
- Field updates:
 - Field 5 will be ready in the spring.
 - Baseball field will not be ready for use in the spring due to soil contamination. Arrangements are being made to play the games at other fields around town.

Board Reports

Co-Presidents' Report - Peter Bernstein and Lisa Sylvester

- Membership fees and donations are used to fund things like field trips and teacher grants.
- Paint the Town Red (PTTR) is an important annual fundraiser held in the Spring. More details to come.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer, Maureen Harper

- Overview provided by Treasurer.

VP Parent Education Report - Min Kim

- Min introduced our guest speakers who presented on "How to help your student get the most out of academics and extracurricular activities"

Speakers: Michele Iannello, Program Coordinator for School Counseling at GHS
Kate Sonnenberg, Founder of KS College Success
Lloyd Nimitz, Founder of Snowday and Spike lab

The panelists addressed:

- How to plan four year of academics at GHS balancing the right levels of classes with interests
- How to help your students find areas of interest and pursue meaningful activities
- How to help students be an active community member at GHS and beyond

Approval of Minutes -Co-Presidents Leila Horn & Peter Bernstein

Motion 1 – Valerie Rimmer made a motion to approve the minutes from the PTA General Membership meeting on 9.14.2023 as posted on the website.

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:07pm

Meeting Minutes prepared by Valerie Rimmer and Lori Fields