
BROOKS PTC: BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 10, 2025

JH Brooks PTC Meeting

April 10, 2025 12:15 LGI Room and via Google Meet

Call to order at 1222 PM by Aundrea Henderson and Janelle Biemel

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve previous meeting minutes. No objections noted.

2. Principal's Report – Dr. McGahee

- Welcome to new Hyde families.
- Hyde Visit: Very successful. Another visit is scheduled for May 6th along with a transition meeting.
- IXL Update: Program has concluded. Top performers from Brooks were Ms. Currie, Ms. Bracken, and Ms. Otto.
- Community Support: Encouraged to support McDonald's for their continued partnership.
- Upcoming Week: Four-day week. Spring parties scheduled for April 16th. PSSA assembly will introduce a building-wide approach to testing.
- Incoming Kindergarten Events
 - Info Night – May 15 at the middle school
 - Kindergarten Round-Up – May 20
- Facilities:
 - LGI Room will be under construction.
 - Basement space identified for possible use; will work with Mr. Dennis.
 - Question raised about whether parents will get a tour of the new setup – discussions ongoing, hoping for possible summer activities.

3. Treasurer's Report – Elizabeth Munto

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- Taxes have been filed.

4. Committee Reports

4th Grade Send-Off – Janelle Biemel

- Send-off will be held on campus.
- Top Golf proposal was denied due to inconsistency with other schools.
- Other schools do a mix of on-site assemblies or post-school events.
- Best date for Brooks is May 27th per Mrs. Bracken.
- Discussion on food: must be approved by the nurse; families must be informed.
- Event timing will be flexible to accommodate specials; final timing to be coordinated with teachers.

Teacher Appreciation – Janelle Biemel

- Cinco de Mayo Taco Bar on Monday.
- Grab & Go Breakfast – planning underway, possibly with Eggs'n'At- Aundrea Henderson will inquire
- Dream Caffeine coffee truck on May 7th.

Yearbook – Joanna Conti & Melissa Wertz

- Reminder to submit photos for the yearbook.

5. Fundraising Updates

Pittsburgh Pierogi (4th Grade)

- Delivery scheduled for April 11, pickup from 3:00–3:45 PM outside cafeteria.

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- Volunteers to arrive at 1:30 PM to organize.

Bedillion Honey (School-Wide)

- Orders due April 10 (today).
- Delivery set for May 12, pickup 3:00–3:45 PM.

Dance-A-Thon

- Scheduled for May 28.
- Fundraising pages go live May 1.
- Focus on group prizes.
- Coordinated communication via group emails.

Spirit Wear

- Site is open for spring/summer gear and ongoing sales.

6. Teacher Update – Ms. Jackson & Ms. Hilpert

- Expressed appreciation for the balloon arch at STEAM Night – “it was beautiful!”

7. PBIS Update

- Added rewards to include large games like Tetris and Connect 4.
- Top Brooks Bucks earners can play on stage each Friday, watch movies on the big screen – encourages community-building.

8. Old Business

- Field trips are being planned with equity in mind.

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9. New Business

Election Results, all ran unopposed

- President: Janelle Biemel
- Vice President: Amanda Brooks
- Treasurer: Elizabeth Munto
- Secretary: Jamie Falbo
- Members-at-Large: Bliss Clark, Melissa Wertz, Sarah Martin, Abby Childers
 - Motion made to approve all candidates as a group.
 - No objections. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Open Floor

- No additional comments or questions noted.

11. Announcements & Important Dates

- Next major events include spring parties on April 16, PSSA testing, Kindergarten events, and upcoming fundraisers.

Adjournment: 1:00 PM