

PTA Meeting Agenda

April 2, 2025

Welcome and Introductions

In attendance: Megan Thomas, Tami Coppler, Samantha Walsh, Olesea Sizemore, John Adamson, Edith Adamson, Melisa Leventry, Michele Kish, Carolyn Kemp, Judith Marks, Al Pater

Online: Brian O'Malley Gamrat, David Gamratt, Dr. Roberto, Melissa Mentz, Mr. Ficarelli

Meeting started at 7:03PM

PTA focus

Our focus is to encourage and support a positive school environment with our students, staff, families and community as we strive to advocate for programs and policies that nurture students and education. We do this by volunteering our time while sponsoring and funding programs that enhance the educational and social experiences of all Crafton students.

President's Report

- Vote to approve minutes from the March 2025 meeting
 - Motion to approve: Michelle Kish
 - Second: Tami Coppler
- Updates on March events - Read Across America (mystery readers, family reading night, and scholastic book fair, Chipotle fundraiser, Kindergarten Registration, and Pennywars)
- Sarris Fundraiser - announce current top sellers
 - ID #10-1586
 - Top Sellers:
 - 1. Oliver Nunez
 - 2. Lola Delaney
 - 3. Easton and Quinn Cubin
 - Top 3 sellers win a gift card from the PTA
- Nomination committee update - Olesea Sizemore is nominating Edith Adamson for the open position for VP 25-26. Any additional nominations can be made by contacting her at [olesyawwj@yahoo.com](mailto:olesyawwj@yaho.com). Voting will take place at May's meeting. To vote you must be a paid PTA member and be physically present.
 - Reminder all board positions can do up to 3 terms

- Currently Secretary, Treasurer, and President have agreed to stay on another term, but that does not mean someone can't run against them.
- Nominations are due by May 7, 2025. If there are multiple candidates for any board position then a vote will go out on May 8th.
 - Brian agreed to send an email out about this.
- Only paid members can vote
- VP spot open due to Current VP at the three year term limit.
- Project Playground - Mr. Pater and Mr. Fic input
 - In October the PTA held a vote to allocate \$5400 to project playground, this passed and we started by purchasing two large outdoor picnic tables that have been placed in the large playground. Communicated with Mr. Fic
 - Mr. Fic: a few years back entered a partnership with the American Diabetes Association. Crafton received a couple thousand dollars from this and what is in the works currently, purchasing two new plexiglass backboards for the basketball hoops on the large playgrounds, and an adjustable height basketball hoop being installed on the wall between the two exit doors on the small play ground. This should be there at the start of next year.
 - Fitness equipment in the grass currently is about half or 2/3 of the equipment received. Al has confirmed the rest will be installed for next school year.
 - We might want to consider some rubberized playground mulch for underneath the equipment.
 - Asked students their opinions:
 - Younger students want the seesaw back that was underneath the canopy
 - A lot of requests for swings
 - Very difficult to allow for because of fall zone requirements
 - Where the kickball field is now, so many things go over the fence because of where the kickball "field" is. Could we repaint the bases to make the field dimensions so that the kicking is toward the SCHOOL instead of over the fence? Have homebase where the point state park painting is. A lot of kids like the obstacle course, but maybe we could repurpose the dodgeball "field"
 - Soccer goal
 - Cost diff on playground mulch versus rubber surface (54.3 in long and 20 feet deep to one point then 34.5 inches deep)

- Rubber surface – \$10 - \$15 per square foot
 - Playground mulch – \$45 for cubic yard
 - IDEA: mini garden, some PTA members can put a plan together to possibly do something with the small area in the large playground. Touch base with Dr. Roberto about this
 - PTA will determine a plan to use the remaining funds. If we decide we don't want to use the funds for playground equipment specifically we can put it back into the PTA general account
- Share photos

VP Report

- Concerns about parents/guardians bringing animals to school pickup, bringing this forward
- Can we remind parents and kids about no scooters/bikes in the small playground from 3 until 3:30? Dr Roberto will handle this and pet concern
- Vote for board should be sent to all paying members via email, Megan will update and send this correction
 - Following the May 7th meeting vote will go out

Treasurer's Report

PTA account balance as of 3/30/25: \$15,303.52

- \$2467 is allocated to Project Playground
- Checks not yet cashed (\$1029.03):
 - \$267 (4th grade field trip)
 - \$615.25 (Spring hoagie sale)
 - \$40 (Spring reading night reimbursement)
 - \$106.78 (Spring reading night reimbursement)

March 2025 PTA Expenses (\$3,119.73):

- Chalk for Chalk the Walk: \$39.95
- Picnic tables via Project Playground: \$2,933
- Spring Family Night Reimbursements: \$146.78

March 2025 PTA Profits (\$3,175.75):

- Jazzercise Class Pass Sale: \$80

- Texas Roadhouse Giveback Day: \$210.50
- Fig Tree Giveback Month: \$250
- Spring Family Reading Night: \$556
- March PTA Dress Up Day: \$35.75
- Penny Wars: \$2,043.50

PTA Expenses 2024-2025 Review To Date

School Supplies for Students/Teachers (\$200 budget)			
Month	Name	Total	Paid
August	Headphones	\$7.49	

Treasure Box Prizes (\$300 budget)			
Item	Date	Price	
Five Below	8/6	\$160	
Dollar Tree	8/6	\$18.73	
		\$178.73	Total

Total Budgeted expenditure: \$15,190

note: field trip expenses will be higher than originally projected

Total expenses spent per date: \$7,003.68

Principal's Report

- Thank you to the PTA for the bulletin boards!
- Storage area in the gym has been updated to include shelves so that we can use this for additional storage
- Applied for a \$1k grant through Highmark to purchase more prizes for the Treasure Box
- Met with Kindergarten teachers and Dr. Franzic for tentative date popsicles on the playground Tuesday 7/29 at 10AM.

Committee Reports

- 6th Grade - Jen Blevins
 - Dance is 4/12 from 6-8PM
- Talent Show - Brian O'Malley, Edith Adamson and Molly Dulaney
 - Rehearsals will be split into two Acts:
 - Act 1 Practice Monday
 - Act 2 Practice Tuesday
 - 50 Kids signed up
 - Q: Is there a specific schedule for stage crew?
 - A: They will be split up into Act 1 and Act 2 as well
 - Edith having meeting on 4/9 at 7PM to talk about fundraising items in the lobby

- Questions? Contact the team via email at caftontalentshow@yahoo.com

Coordinator Updates

- Box Tops - John Adamson
- Fun Day - John Adamson - May 29 (Rain Day May 30)
 - Activity outline will be finalized in the next week or so
 - Review meeting maybe third week of April
- Walk- A-Thon - Sam Walsh and Ashley Schaffer - May 16
 - Removing the Fundraiser aspect for this year
 - Putting together a course for around the school
 - Need volunteers to help make racecourse signs
 - Need volunteers for the day of – sign up genius
 - Meet with Dr. Tyler to talk logistics – Sam to set this up
 - Will send out flyer to go home

Dates to Remember

April 1 - April 12 Pgh SK8 Night Fundraiser Purchase \$10 Tickets In Advance Online

April 1 - April 13 Sarris Online Fundraiser - Group ID# 10-1586

April 13 Pgh SK8 Night Fundraise 5:00PM-7:30PM 2120 Jane St Pittsburgh PA 15203

Purchase \$10 tickets online by April 12 - <https://givebutter.com/dFqWrf>

April 14 - April 30 Gift of Time Fundraiser

April 15 - 7:00PM School Board Meeting Carlynton Jr Sr High School CCC Room

April 17 - April 21 Spring Break - No School

April 22 May Birthday Shout Outs Due

April 22 - 12:00PM-2:45PM Chalk the Walk Crafton Elementary

April 22 - 3:15PM-4:00PM Earth Day - Clean Up Crafton Elementary

April 23, April 25, April 28, April 30, and May 1 Remote Days for Kinder 1st & 2nd Grade

April 23, April 25, April 28, April 30, and May 1 PSSA Testing for 3rd-6th Grade

April 30 Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser 11:00AM-11:00PM 480 Home Drive, 15275

Parent Feedback/Open Discussion

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM

Staff Appreciateion Gifts (\$1700 budget)			
Item	Date	Price	
Back to School		\$240.00	Fig Tree
Back to School		\$637.50	TOTE BAGS
Back to School		\$79.50	Snacks
Fall Lunch		\$300.00	catered @ Jr/Sr School
September		\$0.00	
October		\$0.00	
November		\$0.00	
December		\$0.00	
January		\$0.00	
February		\$0.00	
March		\$0.00	
April			
Spring Lunch			
		\$1,257.00	Total

Babysitting - Monthly Meeting (\$200 Budget)			
Month	Name	Amount	
<i>September</i>	Allie	\$20.00	
<i>October</i>	Lani	\$20.00	
<i>November</i>	NHS	\$0.00	
<i>December</i>	N/A	\$0.00	
<i>January</i>	N/A	\$0.00	
<i>February</i>	N/A		
<i>March</i>	N/A		
<i>April</i>			
<i>May</i>			
	Total	\$40.00	

PTA Recognition Gifts (\$400 budget)			
Items	Date	Amount	
Popsicles	7/17	\$14.67	K Summer Playdate
Mrs Kelly Retirement Gift	9/29	\$47.79	
PJ Drive Pizza Party	12/24	\$68.53	
New Years Coloring	1/3	\$70	
Sarris Candy Fundraising Winner	1/14	\$60	
Souper Bowl Winner	2/23	\$24.20	
		\$285.19	Total

Misc (\$375 budget)			
Name	Date	Price	
Printing Fees	12/3	\$44.94	
Tech Presentation Snacks	2/20	\$13.68	
		\$58.62	Total
Additional Expenses Approved by Vote			
Name	Date	Price	
Square One Art 6th Grade Tiles	12/3	\$349.25	
Halloween Decorations	12/23	\$289.50	
		\$638.75	Total

Expense Name	Expense	Budget Amt	Actual Amt	Over/Under
Kindergarten Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00	\$610.00	-\$10.00
1st Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00		\$600.00
2nd Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00		\$600.00
3rd Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00		\$600.00
4th Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00	\$570.00	\$30.00
5th Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00		\$600.00
6th Grade Field Trip	Field Trip	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
Special Education Field Trip	Field Trip	\$600.00		\$600.00
Field Trip Transportation	Field Trip	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
PTA Recognition Gifts	Program	\$400.00		\$400.00
Holiday Parties & Classroom Snacks	Program	\$2,550.00	\$1,848.84	\$701.16
Bulletin Board	Program	\$100.00		\$100.00
Kindergarten T-Shirts	Program	\$550.00	\$696.90	-\$146.90
Staff Appreciation Gifts	Program	\$1,700.00		\$1,700.00
Read Across America Week	Program	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Red Ribbon Week	Program	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Fun Day	Program	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Meet the Teacher Night	Program	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
Fall Family Reading Night	Program	\$150.00	\$150.76	-\$0.76
Spring Family Reading Night	Program	\$150.00	\$146.78	\$3.22
School Supplies for Students/Teachers in Need	Program	\$200.00		\$200.00
Treasure Box Prizes	Program	\$300.00		\$300.00
Insurance & Gambling License	Overhead	\$365.00	\$365.00	\$0.00
Babysitting (meetings)	Overhead	\$200.00		\$200.00
Bank Fees/Checks	Overhead	\$50.00		\$50.00
Miscellaneous	Overhead	\$375.00		\$375.00

Holiday Parties & Classroom Snacks (\$2550 budget)			
Name	Date	Price	
Halloween Drinks		\$103.84	
Haloween Snacks		\$153.00	
Halloween DJ		\$250.00	
Holiday Snacks		\$59.40	
Holiday Bubble House		\$375.00	
Vday Snacks/Drinks		\$227.21	
		\$1,168.45	Total