

# CaMS PTO General Meeting Minutes 5.20.25

Carmel Middle School PTO

General Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2025; 9am

Present: Michele Kirby, Amy Sample, Sarah Grelecki, Amanda Derheimer, Breann McNeil, Jody Kent, Deanna Pitman

- I. Minutes. The PTO Secretary presented several sets of draft minutes for approval including the April Executive Board minutes, April General Meeting minutes, and the March 7 and March 31 special meeting minutes. No changes or edits were requested to the minutes. A motion was made by Amanda Derheimer and seconded by Michelle Kirby to approve the sets of minutes as presented. The vote was unanimously approved.
- II. Principal's Report.
  - a. Teacher Appreciation – The week went well. Staff favorites were enjoyed by all. Families did a great job of sending in notes and goodies.
  - b. Meetings for next year – A discussion was held with the Principal and PTO on dates for regular meetings for the next school year. All agreed the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month was still fitting.
  - c. Summer emails – Principal will begin sending summer emails out in July. Any messages should be sent to her by July 7, 2025.
  - d. 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration – Due to the weather forecasts, the celebration will most likely have to be inside. The 3 gyms will be made available. DJ and yearbook in north gym. Inflatables in south gym. Yard games in middle gym. Pizza will go in cafeteria. Tropical Sno cart and the photo booth in hallway. The committee has been great to work with and very communicative.
- III. Topics for Discussion
  - i. 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration – see above. DJ, no face paint, no glitter tatoos. Pizza. On budget.
  - ii. Thankful Thursday – The final Thankful Thursday will occur on the last day of school. The theme is “Have a Sweet Summer”.
  - iii. Pantry Packs – Jody Kent sent an email update providing details on the last shopping purchases and packs to go out before summer. Deanna Pitman confirmed that new Pantry Pack leaders Katie Hammer and Jen Arnold came in to meet with the counselors to prepare for the 2025-2026 school year.
  - iv. Dine to Donate – Sarah Grelecki advised she not heard from Papa Fattoush so she is assuming that we did not earn any funds. Jagers location did not work well, it seems they are too far away for people to participate. Chik-fil-a D2D earned \$51. Kona Ice gave \$120 kickback for using them for upcoming socials. Krispy Kreme is still on-going for people to buy coupons. Nancy Meyer will lead the D2D committee next year to solicit restaurant participation.
  - b. Recruitment of Exec & Committee members – The Executive Board members discussed continued lack of volunteers to fill positions. A Co-Treasurer is necessary because Sarah Grelecki will max out her service time in the Treasurer position next year. The Board agreed to try to reach out to additional contacts from the three elementary schools and send a slate out by email to vote.

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- c. 2025/2026 calendar – The calendar will be created using the Carmel Clay Schools calendar and the known committee events to far. Additional events can be populated at the start of the year.
  - d. Budget considerations for 2025-2026 Budget – No proposed changes are needed following the April General Meeting. The 2025-2026 Budget is approved as proposed.
  - e. Communications – need extra help. Met with 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents. Club list. Website, pushing communications
- IV. Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's Report was sent out via email prior to the meeting for review. Having no final expenses or revisions, there is nothing to approve. Budget reports are available on the PTO website for public review.