Scarlett Middle School PTSO

Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2025 – 5:30pm

The purpose of this Organization shall be:

1. To promote the intellectual, physical, and emotional health of Scarlett students in the school and community at large.
2. To provide forums and opportunities for communication and cooperation among parents, teachers, school building administration, school district administration and the community at large.
3. To engage in fundraising activities, to generate funds, to offer/provide for diverse and educational enrichment support/programs for students and staff.

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Attendance:
Sarah Anton, Karen Hulsebus, Gerald Vasquez, Kevin Jeffery, Victoria Engling, Celia Williams, Erika Washburn,, Shannon Consadine (Zoom), Nicole F. (Zoom), Ryan Quinn, Kelly Pfeifer, Samantha Quinn, & Natalie Turner.

Welcome
Meeting called to order by Karen Hulsebus at 5:39 pm.

Principal's Report - Mr. Vazquez and Dr. Peterson
The Best Day ever event on May 29th. May need a handful of volunteers.

Testing season is almost done. Make ups in progress and NWEA complete. 8th grade has finals remaining.

Assemblies being held for all grade levels with reminders about behavioral expectations. Discussed boat trip, promotion, etc. with the 8th graders today.

The uncertainty of our country has staff planning as best they can based on changes.

Teacher appreciation was over the top. The teachers were so jazzed up and excited to win the gift cards and they really felt honored all week.

8th graders will receive 4 tickets for promotion. Mr. Vazquez will reach out to Mrs. Winston regarding the distribution date of tickets. Must have a ticket to enter. Will reach out to 8th grade parents with reminders.

Student Council Update - Ms. Baugh

Students made a sign thanking the PTSO for all of their hard work. Students will sign it and it will hang in the lobby.

Thankful for the field trip. Got to see interactions between kids that don't normally interact. Group was hands on and helping each other. Manager, one of the staff and the DJ of the skating rink gave a great compliment that Scarlett students were the BEST school group they have ever had on a field trip. The restaurant was very accommodating. Overall, a really good experience. Would love to do it again. Mrs. Baugh was able to get an adjusted price.

Sports updates,

- Boys basketball team and cheer team were both undefeated and are currently the city champs.
- The girls celebrated at Harvest Moon Cafe and the boys celebrated at Aubree's.
- Baseball struggled but won their first game last week in a rebuilding year.
- Boys and girls track were separated this year which has cut down on time spent at the meets. Times have improved from week to week.
- Girls soccer is 6 ,7, and 8 grade girls combined. There's some transition there.
- 6th grade boys track is on their 5th undefeated season because they don't compete.
- Girl's softball has won 2 games and is improving every week.
- Music concerts have been going very well.

About 160 students are signed up to attend the Riverboat trip. The deadline has been extended in order to pick up a few more students. A few students have mentioned they don't want to go because their friends aren't going. Students are continuing to be encouraged to attend.

Gifts are being donated for prizes ranging from a pineapple cup to a gift card from B.I.G.

8th grade is promotion, not graduation. It is an accomplishment. There is no academic demand for 8th graders after the boat dance on June 5.

President's Report

Gerald motions to approve the April minutes; Kevin seconds. All in favor.

Last meeting of the year and time to vote. One slate, no additional people running. Recording secretary has zero nominations. Should be easy to fill. Those nominated for all other roles have shared their qualifications and it seems to be leaving in good hands. Gerald moved we move forward with the slate as presented. All in favor. Congratulations to the new PTSO executive board members.

Those in appointed roles and interested in staying should. Others will be sought out to fill vacant roles during the summer or in the fall.

Those not returning-appreciation
Vicki-weekly emails, communications have been great. Super willing and accessible
Celia-Incredible, teacher appreciation was amazing, the research and family fun night, PTOC rep
Natalie-making sense of ramblings and organizing and stepping into the role, timely
Sarah-will be around but has been incredible, communicating with teachers, grant work, etc.
Kinda-great job researching and reimagining spiritwear

Kevin will be here but grateful for him tech, Sam and Ryan for food, Mrs. Baugh for hospitality.

Gerald is super thankful and grateful to Karen, Sarah, Natalie, Kelly, Vicki and Celia for serving with an open heart for your own kids but also for all the kids at Scarlett, for the unwelcome criticism, future with the new slate is bright to continue with the spirit of service

Thankful to the student council and hearing from the students with updates, etc.

Yearbooks-when distributed? 8th graders will receive first and have opportunity for signatures at lunch

Really meant a lot to include ALL staff in teacher appreciation week

Treasurer Report- Sarah Anton
Budgeted for income $30,700, actual income $22,311.22 this year
Expected to spend 20ish thousand, spent 30ish thousand

Account Balances
Savings: $18,000 (added $5,000 from checking)
Checking-$68,000 (should end in the lower 60's)
Memorial Account-$23, 800

Budgeted 10,000 for teacher grants, spent $12,500

Went over budget on staff appreciation, but that's great. Spent $6,500 throughout the year. Helps with morale.

Budget line item will be created for the student council trip to continue next year.

Kelly has ideas for moving forward with ideas for PTSO spending at Scarlett.

Made lots of progress this year and much more to come

PTOC-Celia Williams

Interesting year for PTOC, meetings conflict or overlap with other meetings and they were not recording the meetings.

PTOC fundraiser reached 81% of their goal-$30, 227

Executive board nominations

Teacher appreciation ideas shared for each of the schools, raffles, food, books, etc. High schools rallied together to support Pathways, who doesn't have a PTSO.

Would like admin to join meetings every now and again to stay up to date.

Many PTSO's are heavily funded.

Asian American and Pacific Islanders are hosting a virtual author talk on 5/21.

Teacher appreciation
Celia will share the spreadsheet she created for future reference

What went well-

- PTSO interacting with staff/chatting, welcome committee, community building
- Banners will be in PTSO closet, balloons bouquets
- Chair massages-office sent sign up over the weekend or sign up/water bottles had a straw/bottle cleaners
- To go boxes for the lunch
- Special creamer for the coffee
- Sign up genius for volunteers

Next time-

- Need a PTSO banner

Sad to be departing this board. Celia feels appreciated and listened to. The team comes together for the betterment of the students. Awesome getting to know everyone.

Open Discussion
Admin team is grateful to the PTSO for the crucial conversation they had back in February realizing they may have been operating in Post COVID manner in terms of trips, etc.

Vicki shared she is locked out of the website. Has been inaccurate all year. Discussion about PTO Thrift (they like to have an introduction to the new rep) early. Want attendees at their board meetings to understand the process more closely.

Thank you from Kelly to Karen for her thoughtfulness and intentionality.

6:52 pm meeting adjourned.

Executive Board: President: Karen Hulsebus, Vice President: Kevin Jeffery, Treasurer #1: Sarah Anton, Treasurer #2: Kelly Pfeifer, Corresponding Secretary: Vicki Engling, Recording Secretary: Natalie Turner, PTOC Representative: Celia Williams