

Costello PTO Tentative Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 12, 2025

Attendance: Jennifer Ford, Aimee SooSoo, Jamie Kaniartz, Kristen Northey, Katie Monhaut, Michelle Tessoff, Erica Filipucci, Amanda Haverty-Harris, Krystle Dennison, Angie Cheek, Kali Schmitz, Keri Elliott, Philippe Cicchini, Chris Tallman, Melanie Harper, Anurhya Pachathu, Kathy Huang, Badisha Barpujari, Tammy DiPonio

Call to Order – Jen Ford at 7:08 pm

Celebration of 5th grade parents

Gifts and remarks for outgoing 5th grade board and committee members. Thank you to Chris Tallman, Katie Monhaut, Keri Elliott, Aimee SooSoo, Melanie Harper, Jenni Brozowski, and Suzy Powell!

Approval of Minutes- Jen presented the minutes from April. Jamie Kaniartz motioned to approve, and Amanda Haverty-Harris seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer Report – Chris Tallman (Treasurer) – Chris presented the current income to date. Fair money has been added, almost broke even, which is our goal. Raised \$52,000 total this year (goal was \$50,000).

Bank transactions showed fair expenses, Safety Patrol Orange Bowl, 5th grade celebration, classroom allocations.

Current budget was \$51,000 and we have spent about half of it. More items to be reimbursed, but we have plenty of money left.

Motion to accept reports as written by Aimee SooSoo, Jamie Kaniartz seconded. Budget report approved.

Proposed budget for 2025-26 was presented to be voted on. Hospitality line was increased as an independent line item, most items stayed the same. The President's fund was reduced, total budget is \$700 more than this current year.

Vote was presented, the budget passed all in favor. 2025-2026 budget approved.

President Report – Jen Ford

2025-26 PTO Board

The following members were stated/elected as the new Costello PTO Board members for the 2025-26 School Year.

Congratulations to:

Treasurer: Krystle Dennison

Secretary: Kali Schmitz

Vice President: Angie Cheek

President: Jen Ford

Recently filled positions:

Trunk or Treat (Lakshimi Jaiswal and Ritesh Dixit)

Publicity: Maria

Auction: Rachel Mistretta (seven new members onboarding next year)

Bidisha Monthly staff treats, Spirit Wear

Anyone planning events for next year should send hopeful dates to Jen as we begin to plan the calendar to ensure things are spaced and noted.

Any current committee leads, please update Google Drive with documents, notes, templates, guides, etc. for new committee members who are taking over.

Book project will be completing/resuming the book purchases that had previously been put on hold. The treasurer will review the total year's spending at the end of the fiscal year and from that it will be determined if we are able to complete the book project already started in the fall of 2025.

Principal Report– Dr. Tammy DiPonio

Honored the current PTO Board and Teacher Representative

Auction events update: many fun and exciting events planned from the auction and unique Costello/Troy experiences to help raise money for our school.

Read the Cardinal Connection to stay updated!

Teacher Representative- Michelle Tesso

Presented student thank you notes for the Fair.

Staff Appreciation Week video to say thank you!!! Thank you to Angie Cheek for all of the amazing organization and creativity! It was all much appreciated and enjoyed by all staff.

Celebrations:

Costello Fair! Thank you to Morgan and Kristen for taking it over next year!

Angie Cheek-Staff Appreciation

Skate World May 21st (proceeds will go to Lounge updates)

Thank you to the many people behind the scenes for helping with staff appreciation week.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm

Enjoy your summer!!!