PTO Meeting Minutes

September 9th, 2025 | 7pm

Welcome

Meeting began with greetings and introductions. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer's report was presented: Balance as of the last meeting was $8,310.62. Following that meeting, withdrawals totaled $7,491.18 for May Fair supplies, 3rd Grade portfolio party, 5th Grade memory books, field trip admissions, field trip bussing, and teacher stipends. Deposits totaled $6,362.02 for Hersheypark orders, chaperone payments, Give Butter payment, Dairy Queen fundraiser night, and Parent's Night out fundraiser. Tentative ending total for the 24-25 school year is $7,181.46. This will change, though, when the last of the Hersheypark tickets are sold.

September budget introduced with proposed adjustments including removal of field trips (now covered by the district), increased RIF and hospitality allocations, and a new line for playground/running track improvements. Tentative starting balance for the 25-26 school year is $7,181.46.

Income remains stable, with a slight reduction from Carnations.

Mr. Wells Report

Mr. Wells shared updates regarding field trip funding changes, noting that curriculum-related trips will now be district-funded. Playground and running line upgrades will be long-term projects; collaboration with high school students is underway for blacktop stencils and other improvements.

Garden Project

The school garden continues to grow as a multidisciplinary initiative. Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Peterman are leading efforts to restore and expand it, with volunteer and nursery partnerships forming. PTO discussed financial support of approximately $2,000 for the project; motion made by Caleb and approved.

New Business

Discussion held regarding officer positions (Secretary and President). Abigail Adams volunteered to be the new secretary. There are two remaining Hersheypark tickets for $47 each. Mrs. Peterman voiced

interest in them. Parent's Night Out (Gettysburg's Best Parkour/Dubbs location, $10 per child) is scheduled for Saturday, November 8th. The Gettysburg Education Foundation offered the 50/50 profit to the PTO at one of the upcoming high school football games. Four adult volunteers are needed to man the tables at each gate at the stadium. The date chosen was Friday, October 24th, and Rachael Gibbon & Alisha Shank volunteered so far.

Committee Reports

Fall Fundraiser (Mum Sale):

We are partnering once again with Taylor's Greenhouse to do our annual mum sale. Orders and money are due September 24th, and delivery will be held on October 15th.

Alisha Shank presented information for Power House Subs in place of R&K. This sale is typically done in the spring, so we will revisit it at a later time.

Discussion held regarding separating sub and apparel fundraiser months to avoid overlap with the PBIS program.

Joe Corbi's has merged with Believe Kids (who we have partnered with in the past for fundraisers), and they now pack and sort individual orders. Maria will contact them to schedule a fall sale.

Restaurant Fundraiser:

Dairy Queen is scheduled for Tuesday, September 23rd. Gateway Diner was contacted for potential interest in collaboration; waiting to hear back from them.

Box Tops:

Current total $19.80.

Spring Fundraiser:

Planned as a free community event with food trucks available for purchase.

Hospitality:

Budget increased; plans for future appreciation events underway.

Science Fair:

Removed from this year's plan.

Announcements

Mrs. Peterman’s class won the Popsicle Party.

Next meeting date: October 14th, 7pm