AGENDA

Claymont PTO General Meeting

January 7, 2026 | 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Guest Speakers: Carter Snow - Director of Assessment and Continual Improvement

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1. Welcome – Allie Deno and Anna Jordan

Called to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. Guest Speaker – Carter Snow - Director of Assessment and Continual Improvement

- Assessments in Parkway
    - NWEA - Map Growth - fourth year taking these (different from the MAP test)
        - Math - Kindergarten through Algebra
        - ELA - Grades 2-8
    - MAP (Grades 3-5) (received results at the end of the summer) (summative evaluation)
    - Screening, Benchmark Assessments (mid year checkins)
    - Assessments that matter the most - things that happen in the classroom everyday. Slips given by teachers; real time feedback.
- NWEA
    - This helps us identify growth, not just achievement. See where students started and where they go.
    - We want to push our high achievers, but also see growth in students who are not yet proficient. Growth helps us close the gap.
    - The test starts at grade level, but levels up or down based on responses. So the test is adaptive.
    - Helps us understand where our students are landing in comparison with others around the country.
    - In Parkway, 88.2 percent of students are at average or above in ELA (second grade - fifth grade)
    - In Parkway, 89.1 percent of students are at average or above in Math (K-5)
    - In Parkway, the percentage of students meeting growth goal - 50 percent is expected, but Parkway is above 70 in both ELA and math. This is well beyond average.
    - Progress Reports went to parents today. Uploaded parent reports will be uploaded to Infinite Campus in a week and a half.
- How can we support our students?
    - The test is designed for students to get half the questions right and half the questions wrong. Students are going to see questions that they should not be able to answer. Tell students to try their best, but move on if they are unfamiliar with a particular question.
    - Celebrate growth! And connect their growth to their daily habits.

3. Principal's Report – Dr. Gretchen Morrison

4. Approval of Nov 2025 minutes – Mandi Moutray - Does anyone have any questions about the meeting minutes from November? Can I have a motion to approve the meeting minutes? Is there a second? All in favor of approving? Any opposed? Minutes are approved.

Motion: Nick Venditti

Second: Anna Jordan

Motion carries unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report – Rebecca Valencia
    a. Budget Update
    b. Status of PTO Accounts
    c. Cardinal's Night - April 14, 2026 - transitioning to do the games in spring, but we need to have one each calendar year. So, we need to do two this school year to keep our seniority.

6. President's Report – Allie Deno and Anna Jordan
    a. Teacher Grants
        i. All teacher grants were fulfilled and came in under budget allocated
        ii. Check out our social media for teachers with their special 2025 grant check, TY Melissa Hedrick
    b. Bayer Days - Jan 23rd and Jan 30th
        i. Volunteer spots to be requested via SignUp Genius
    c. Trivia Night - Saturday, February 7th, 2026
        i. Theme is TAILGATE
        ii. Tables sales end on Jan 31st
        iii. "Cooler of Cheer" donations needed
        iv. Volunteers for raffle sales
    d. Friendship Day Parties
        i. Held in classroom on February 11th
        ii. Surplus budget from Winter Party to be evenly distributed to room parents
        iii. Room parents will reach out to classroom parents for volunteers/party support
    e. Save the Dates!
        i. Talent Show - April 10th
        ii. Family Night - May 1st
        iii. Fun and Fitness - May 15th

7. Vice President's Report – Nick Venditti and Eleni Wehner
    a. Call for new VP candidates (3 year commitment)
    b. Any other PTO turnover to acknowledge?
    c. Teachers Lounge plan with detailed budget presented for vote at next meeting/virtually
- Will work with administration to get more detail about what we can do/when it should be done.
- Will get more details re: the budget as well.

8. Fundraising Chairs' Report – Olivia Neary and Amanda Clover
    a. Shorthorn Spirit Update
    b. Spirit Night Schedule
        i. 1/28/2026, Wed - Panera - now in Manchester
        ii. 2/12/2026, Thurs - Texas Roadhouse
9. Volunteer Coordinator's Report – Jessica Belobrajdic
    a. Update on Membership Toolkit Volunteer Opportunities

10. Upcoming Dates & Adjournment – Allie Deno and Anna Jordan

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Upcoming Dates:

Fri, Jan 16 and Mon, Jan 19 - NO SCHOOL
Fri, Jan 23 and Fri, Jan 30 - Bayer Days
Wed, Jan 28 - Half Day/Spirit Night - Panera
Sat, Feb 7 - Trivia Night
Wed, Feb 11 - Friendship Day Parties
Thurs, Feb 12 - Half Day/Spirit Night - Texas Roadhouse
Fri, Feb 13 and Mon, Feb 16 - NO SCHOOL
Wed, Mar 4 - March PTO General Meeting