November 2026 Central PTO Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, November 6, 2026
Time: 8:30 AM - 9:05 AM
Location: Room 176

Reading of: Mission Statement
To connect and inform the parents of The Classical Academy's Central Campus, providing opportunities to support our staff and foster exemplary citizenship.

8:30 AM

- **Welcome & Introductions: Stephanie Polenz**
- Lost and Found is FULL, please spread the word for all to check the Lost and Found.
- October PTO contributions and successes were shared.

Speaker: The Custodial Staff: Wyatt, Morgann, Robbie:
Wyatt shared what the definition of a custodian is: a care taker, they take care of everything! The building AND the people inside the building. They work hard to make everyone's lives easier.
Morgann shared a little bit about himself. He ran his own company for over 20 years before joining the TCA staff, his kiddos go to school here, it's been a great fit working at TCA.
Robbie also shared. " I didn't choose custodial work, it chose me! It's perfect and the perfect time."
Wyatt shared he is so lucky he got Morgann and Robbie on the custodial team.
They all shared about what was going on in the PICTURE! A Pocket Gopher they have been trying to catch on the playground.
Wyatt has worked 6 years in total at TCA.
It was asked: What can our kids do to help make your job easier?
Answer: Eat cleaner 🙄 And Less water fights in the bathroom!
Robbie wants us to encourage our kids to continue to report things that they see that might need their attention.
The custodians appreciate all that the PTO does to bless them.

Speaker: Mrs. Curtis
She started as a 5th Grade teacher, then a 2nd grade teacher, and now this is her 11th year as the librarian. She read a Short Story: Dear Mr. Winston to us today.

- **Business Discussion: Stephanie Polenz**
    1. **Minutes & Proposed Meeting Dates**
        - Approval of October 2026 Minutes: APPROVED

    2. **Updates from our Vice President: Jill Dannenbring**

Staff Appreciation Week(SAW) Updates-Volunteers are needed for Grade Level Events. The events are all happening in April this year 5 consecutive school days

Wednesday, April 21:6th grade Breakfast Burrito Brunch
Thursday, April 22: Kinder and 1st Grade Pizza night
Friday, April 23rd: 3rd and 5th grade Meal from Heart of Jerusalem

Monday, April 26th: Lunch 2nd and 4th grade
Tuesday, April 27th: Snack from PTO

Fundraising Updates: Helen Walters

- Air City Fundraiser (Nov 13, 1-3 PM) Fill out waiver beforehand, buy tickets at the event. Anyone want to help hold signs at car pool?

Treasurer Updates: **Jane Blore**

- Giving Link -You will receive a receipt for donations at the end of year

Funds Requests: Stephanie Polenz

- Anne Winter and Kinder request $126 plus tax for letter magnets and thermometers. APPROVED!
- Taste of Life Christmas Frozen Meal approx. $3500 The staff will receive this in January. APPROVED!

Volunteer Opportunities

- Looking for TWO Lead people for Spiritwear for next year, but PTO will train and guide this year. Let the PTO know!

Updates from Committee Leads

- **Birthday Blessings:** Jessica Whitaker: **SUCCESS last week!**
- **Decorations:** Taryn Pennau **Christmas Decor Goes UP Nov. 20th!**
- **Lost and Found:** Shauna Boren
- **Office Uniform:** Shauna Boren
- **Staff Appreciation Week:** Jill Dannenbring
- **Sunshine:** Katie Kinney/Sarah Dins
- **Teacher's Lounge Care:** Katie Kinney
- **Yearbook:** Veronica Gearhart & Brandi Henderson
- **EduKits:** Mallory Zeidler

Question about PRECESS, at what temperature do they not send kids out?
Mr Walters' answered: 18 degrees

Mr Walters' also announced that him and his wife are expecting baby #2 in May? :)

Raffle Prizes: 8 Prizes Given Away!

9:05 AM

- **Meeting Adjournment**

Additional Information

- **Snacks Provided By:** Carrie Loewenstein, PTO, Chick Fil A
- **Childcare By:** Danniel Cea