



Gates Chili Middle School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2021 General Meeting

7:00pm – 8:00pm *Virtual Due to COVID-19 Restrictions*

ATTENDANCE

Executive Board Present: Mark DeGray, Bryan Arthmann, Paula Arthmann, Jennifer Gelfuso, Dr. Buckshaw, Kristin Kruspe, Tracy Dalykas

Executive Board Absent:

Other Attendee's: Robin Williamson, Taryn Nole, Tina Carney

Meeting call to Order at 7: 04pm by Mark

REVIEW OF APRIL 13, 2021 MEETING MINUTES.

-MOTION TO ACCEPT: 1ST: P. ARTHMANN 2ND: J. GELFUSO VOTE TO APPROVE: Y: 7 N: 0 AB: 1

TREASURER REPORT

- Review of April 2021 Financial Statement:
- MM: \$20,435.76 CK: \$1,709.54 Trip: \$4,033.56
-Motion to Accept: 1st: B.Arthmann 2nd: M. DeGray Vote to Approve: Y: 8 N: 0 AB: 0
- There is \$10.00 in the FlipGive Account.
- Funds requests: None
- The budget shall end good. Didnt spend what was allocated vs actual.
- Tina Carney has an interest in the PTO
- PTO helps with food and drink and chaperone for events. Provide Teeshirts to incoming 6th Graders and new to the District students.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2021-2022 School Year GCMSPTO Officer election *see bottom of Minutes*

NEW BUSINESS

- Paula lamanna sent out requests for volunteers for the 8th Grade Dance on 5/21/2021.

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT TEAM (DIT) UPDATES



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- No meeting in April, no update.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM (SIT) UPDATES

- Reading STAMPED, finishing the book. Discussing where to go from here. Students, Staff. Next year the SIT will become the "Building Equity Team" There will be afternoon and Evening sessions, for more students to attend.

PRINCIPAL UPDATES

- More kids in the building, some remote students are back.
- Virtual Talent Show, sent information to Teachers and students. Make a video and submit. jennie to put in a complete video and post. Student created.
- 8th grade Dance, 300 in 8th Grade, approximately 175 are going. having in a tent behind the Admin building. Possibly being moved back to the Middle School.
- NJHS inductions, small scale ceremony on 6/10/2021.
- Awards Ceremony is on 6/2/2021. Original plan is 6:15 to 7:30 for 6th and 7th grade, and 7:30 to 8:15 for the 8th Grade. May be separate, may be not.
- GCTA is not doing their scholarship this year, instead choosing to donate the money to Families in need.
- 6/22 and 6/24 are half days for the students and staff. These are going to be "Fun Days". 3 rotations, 2 are activities offered by the staff and the third is Kona Ice
- An Email was sent to Parents and students in accelerated Regents classes about the exempt or non exempt choice. Students who are passing may optout. Grade, if taking the exam will be on the report card, may be able to have it removed and be "exempt". Pass the Regents Exam, get the credit and pass the course.
- Lisa has Thank you plaques for the PTO Officers. Brought home by the students.
- The Regents Exams scores are not part of the final grade.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Paula Arthmann will be available for the banana boxes for the food baskets.
- Caroline A. to check PTO Box on Thursday.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting Adjourned by Mark at 7:48PM

2021-2022 GCMSPTO Officers Election Results:

The vote was held at the beginning of the 5/11/2021 General meeting.



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President: Mark DeGray

Vice President: Tracy Dalykas

Treasurer: Taryn Nole

Secretary: Kristin Kruspe

Teacher Rep(s): jennifer Gelfuso and Robin Williamson *Non voted positions*

Fundraising Coordinator: TBD