



# Meeting Minutes

## Brisas PTSO Meeting

**Date:** August 12, 2019

**Location:** Brisas/ Aprende Library

**Meeting Called to Order By:** Darya McClain

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Attendance:** Quorum was present

**Minutes:** Minutes to be sent out following this meeting

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**Called to order at 6:20 p.m.**

### Minutes

- July 22 meeting minutes motioned to be approved by Jen, seconded by Katie and approved.

### Attendees

- Board Members
  - \*Christie Winkleman, Principal
  - \*Sarah Sottile, Assistant Principal
  - \*Darya McClain, President
  - \*Katie Koshick, Co-Vice-President
  - \*Peter Eberle, Treasurer
  - \*Laura Olmsted, Secretary
  - \*Kelli Barnes, Volunteer Coordinator
  - \*Hope Kopp, Contributions Coordinator
  - \*Brad Morse, Communications Coordinator
  - \*Alena Almendarez, Historian
  - \*Amanda Herting, Historian
- PTSO Committees
  - \*Cindy Hayes, Staff Appreciation Coordinator
  - \*Allison Hawley, Staff Appreciation Coordinator
  - \*Tracy Preslaski, Boxtops
  - \*Jhullianna LoFrano, Student Store

- Event Coordinators
  - \*Genniva Rios, Gecko Gear
  - \*Melissa Bankston, Pumpkin Walk
  - \*Ali Higgins, Holiday Shoppe
  
- Teachers/Staff

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| *Tina Akins      | *Christy Asta     |
| *Melissa Bemis   | *Mary Jo Boergers |
| *Terri Carr      | *Jen Dauscha      |
| *Debbie Dobyms   | *Kristina Foster  |
| *Tammia Jones    | *Sandi Klotz      |
| *Jenni Layton    | *Anna Mantini     |
| *Nicole Martinez | *Noortje Nelissen |
| *Cynthia Olsen   | *Janet Pancratz   |
| *Starla Robinson | *Stacy Thomas     |
| *Ray Urquieta    | *Audrey Yoshioka  |
  
- Parents

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| *Patrick Baluch    | *Scott Brown               |
| *Kylla Bunn        | *Alessandra Cepeda         |
| *Mhillie Cheatham  | *Cacy Dubin                |
| *Kristin DuBois    | *Crystal Eaves             |
| *Jennifer Francl   | *Andrea Groff              |
| *Mansi Gupta       | *Carmalita Johnson         |
| *Morgan Jones      | *Lauren Kim                |
| *Kim Larsen        | *Shweta Patel              |
| *Pam Peiris        | *Jason Rethman             |
| *Amy Rodriguez     | *Linda Salazar             |
| *Hannae Samailovic | *Emily Schwartz            |
| *LeAndra Shepard   | *Michelle and Mike Stelter |
| *Amanda Stevens    | *Andrea Vasquez            |
| *Amy Warren        | *Jennifer Whitesides       |
| *Joanna Wilson     | *Michelle Wright-Miller    |
| *Tamanika Zinger   |                            |

### Officers' Reports

**President's Report:** Darya McClain

- Thank you to all the room parents and teachers in attendance. Thanks Kelli Barnes and Genniva Rios for decorating.
- Brand new website designed by Brad Morse.
- Gecko Gear is up and running.
- Staff Appreciation Committee provided gifts, meals and snacks for teachers' first week back.

- We had 91 families attend the Kindergarten Meet & Greet and a satisfaction survey was sent out. We are working hard to recruit more volunteers with our new families.
- We received an email from a staff member praising the Brisas staff and PTSO!

#### **Treasurer's Report:** Peter Eberle

- We have a budget for this year and the results from last year.
- Our biggest fundraiser, the read-a-thon, brings in money that goes right back into the school and the teachers' quality of life while they are at the school.
- With our other events, we keep the prices low and are able to break even.
- As for the 2018-19 school year, Peter pointed out some highlights of things PTSO was able to provide: 1) \$2500 in stipends for teachers for after school activities 2) A new science lab 3) 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip 4) Kalideo Eye 5) Staff Appreciation week with an increased budget 6) Bose sound system for our events 7) Portable lights for events 8) PTSO banners 9) Headphones for testing. All of this helps our children with learning and keeps stress low for educators.
- Leftover funds went towards a Cricket maker (everyone was very excited about this!), A-Frames for the playground, game carts for the playground, cooling safety vests for staff, and curriculum for the science lab.
- We will be needing a new treasurer for next year as Peter's child will be attending Aprende.

#### **Principal's Report**

- As stated, the Cricket maker was a great investment as it was used to make signs for doors and labels.
- We will now have social and emotional curriculum from Mike Sissel.
- New portable lunch buckets were provided by PTSO (and labeled using the cricket maker!)
- We also have rolling carts for preschool.
- PTSO was also able to provide childcare for Meet the Teacher night
- We are in the works to have two large checkerboards painted on the playground.
- A warm welcome to Mrs. Sottile, our new Assistant Principal.

#### **Committee Reports**

##### **Community Builders**

- As Darya has been heading this committee, we are looking for another leader to step in.

- School Cents – Bring your receipts from Chandler Mall and its surrounding business. We receive points for every dollar spent. There is also a box in the mall. If we win, we get \$3000 for our school.
- Parents' Night out at Majerles is set for August 16. We have had 46 kids signed up for free childcare.
- We have a community builder coming up on August 27 at Chipotle.
- We have also added California Pizza Kitchen for Conference day, October 23

### **Read-a-Thon**

- This is our biggest fundraiser. We typically raise more than \$40k. We have so many prizes for kids – daily prizes, prizes for the most money raised, for the most minutes read, classroom prizes. Parents come in and log minutes every day. It only takes about 15 minutes.
- The limo ride is the most fun. The recipients get to take a trip to McDonalds with friends and Mrs. Winkleman and Mrs. Sottile.
- Nathan will be early to help set up tables and food, etc. so that we are ready to go at 7:10. To end at 7:40 a.m.

### **Room Parent: Kelli Barnes**

- We had a great turnout for our room parent social!
- Kelli explained the folder that each parent received.
- Room parents organize classroom parties and gifts for the teachers based on their favorites.
- They have the classroom directory and are the liaison to the PTISO.
- Room parents will be responsible for getting volunteers for events, for example, first grade and kindergarten run the Ice Cream Social; second and third grade organize the Pumpkin Walk; fourth and fifth grade organized the Decades Dance.

### **Announcements**

- The read-a-thon takes a lot of volunteers so please help out!
- We need an event coordinator for the Ice Cream Social – email Darya. It can be a coordination team also.
- Jen Dauscha has volunteered to run the Decades Dance! YAY!

**Next meeting scheduled for September 16, 2019 at 6 p.m. in the Brisas/Aprende Library**

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**Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by Darya McClain, President**

**Minutes:** taken onsite and later compiled by Laura Olmsted, Secretary

