

**GMSS PTO Meeting Minutes  
November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 4:05pm.

**Meeting Attendance:**

Dan Choi, Andy Rhea, Tammy Meek, Terry Bleau, Kristy Albrecht, Elizabeth Nguyen, and Jessica Sida

**School Board:**

- Grateful to be able to check in on GMSS to see how the school year has been going so far. Having the students come in 5 days a week seems to be really positive. Mitigation has been very successful.
- GROW Program will be starting soon to help assist students with academic preparedness
- There have been some tweaks made to the Accelerated Reading Program this year.
- Professional Development has included topics on gender identity and inclusiveness
- Financially the district is expected to be under budget overall and in fine shape.

**September's Meeting Minutes Approved**

**Treasurer's Report:**

- \$286 was made during the Bake Sale
- \$876.75 was made on sports concessions
- PE uniform check was received for \$1,927

## Principal's Report

Mr. Rhea presented the PTO Wish List Requests and highlighted past PTO purchases.

### PTO WISH LIST REQUESTS 2021-2022

Department:	Cost:	Description/Main Idea:
Arts Department	Variety of Needle Felting Supplies and Materials = \$183.18 <a href="#">#1 - #2</a>	Introduce a needle felting unit to 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Studio Art
ELL Department (Kanani)	Classroom Material <a href="#">TIMER</a> \$30	Classroom resource that will help enhance instruction
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science (Gain)	<a href="#">New Hot Plates</a> (x2) - \$254.70 ea.	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science needs new hot plates for their activities and would appreciate however many the PTO could cover.
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science (Duber)	1x Replica Red Tailed Hawk Skull @ \$140 1x Replica Scarlet Ibis Skull @ \$139 <a href="#">Website</a>	These items would be used to demonstrate how structures in living things are different with their environment and contribute to their success within it. Actual replicas would help students understand better than simple photographs
Guidance Department	Variety of Items to help with speech as well as social and emotional learning <a href="#">#1 - #2 - #3 - #4 - #5 - #6 - #9 - #10 - #11</a> \$154.85	#1 - Help articulation with students visualizing with their mouth #2 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade lunch group activity #3 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade arts and crafts group activity #4 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade lunch group activity #5 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade lunch group activity #6 - Game to practice perspective taking #9 - Special stress balls for sensory needs #10 - Special stress balls for sensory needs #11 - Fun way to work on articulation or parts of speech and be used in lunch groups.
GMSS Library Reading Lounge Committee	\$500 towards various RL Purchases	We have put together a long-term wish list of things we would like to add over the next several years. We would like to request \$500 toward Reading Lounge purchases and the opportunity to continue to work with you toward this goal.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1700.00 rounded up to include shipping</b>	

- Elizabeth motioned to approve wish list. 1<sup>st</sup>- Kristy. 2<sup>nd</sup>- Jessica. All approved.
- Look out for the November South Scoop email

### Old Business/ New Business

- Fall Appetizer Night was held on 9/16- it was a fantastic event. Thank you to Buttermilk for their donations towards this.
- Joint PTO Meeting was held on 9/20- presentation was done by a GHS Social Worker, Dean, and Psychologist as to how we as a school community can help make transgender students feel safe and secure.
- Putting out the idea to move our Spirit Wear sales online next year

- New Student Welcome email was received very positively. It should be kept in mind for next year.
- Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Restaurant Night will be on 12/2 at Portillo's from 5-8pm. We will receive 20% of the proceeds.
- Upcoming Events: Bake Sale for the Variety show and Jivin' Geneva in January

### **Open Discussion to the floor**

- The PTO Secretary position will need to be filled as our current secretary moves on to new adventures.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm

Minutes submitted by Jessica Sida on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021