

# Gilbert PTO

## September 2024 Meeting Minutes

**Date, Time, & Location:** 9/9/24, 7:00 PM, Gilbert High School

**Meeting called to order by** Annie Bjustrom at 7:05 PM

**Attendance:** Annie Bjustrom, Kim Spaetti, Ali Koehler, Emily Danner, Kari Broer, Staci Edwards, Mary Beth Etscheidt, Karim Suriel, Eric Lopez, Megan McLennan, Bobbi Robinson, Danae Lundt, Amanda Gray, Jossie Skjoldal, Katherine Kerns, Rebecca Ralston, Nicole Oneyear, Brooke Sievers, Carley Hoben

**Meeting Recap Attendance:** Annie Bjustrom, Emily Danner, Kyla Goza, Kristi Leyva

### Officers' Reports

President: Annie Bjustrom

Review of 2024-2025 Committee Chairs & Code of Conduct

Treasurer: Ali Koehler

Presented 2024-2025 Budget - Voted & Approved

New Item Line- Staff Leadership Fund- called to a vote and approved (12 Yes/5 No)

Secretary: Emily Danner

Presented 2024-2025 Calendar

Administration: Staci Edwards

- 1) Thank you PTO for the back to school donations (Stock the Fridge)
- 2) Building progress at the Elementary- Things are moving! Dirt is being moved and framework is being mapped out!
- 3) A new idea was brought to Staci Edwards about having parents volunteer during lunch and recess times. Supporting staff with student needs during these less structured times. Volunteers would need to submit a background check

### Committee Reports:

- a. Back to School (August 2024)
  - i. TShirt Sales will not take place again in the fall of 2025 due to overstock
  - ii. Popsicles on the Playground- half of the kindergarten class and their families attended the event
- b. Bingo
  - i. District wide event held in Feb.
  - ii. Free will donations accepted
- c. Cookie Walk (December 2024)
  - i. PTO Welcomes Cookie Donations & Volunteers to help kick off the holiday season at the elementary school
  - ii. Come and purchase a dozen cookies while enjoying the decorated elementary school
- d. Gilbert Groove
  - i. Intermediate event only (Dance, Games, Snacks, etc.)

- ii. Event will take place in April
- e. Mom's Night Out
  - i. Come meet other moms and build community
  - ii. Dates coming soon
- f. Conference Meals
  - i. First set of meals will be in November 2024
  - ii. PTO will be in need of monetary donations to support the purchasing of meals
- g. Mileage Club (Elementary & Intermediate)
  - i. A fun and motivating opportunity for students to improve their health through movement! Students at the elementary and intermediate buildings will have the opportunity come spring 2025 to participate in running laps during recess. Students get recognized for the miles they run. This opportunity is run through Mary Greeley.
- h. Staff Appreciation
  - i. PTO spends a week in May 2025 treating all teachers & staff to show our appreciation
- i. Trunk or Treat
  - i. Date: Oct. 27th 3:00-5:00 PM @ Gilbert Elementary School
  - ii. Trunk sign up coming soon
  - iii. Candy donations will be needed
- j. Tiny Tigers
  - i. 9:30 AM Sept. 16th Moor Memorial Park
  - ii. Geared towards preschool aged children and younger
- k. Special Staff Appreciation
  - i. Bus Driver Breakfast (April) & Principals Month (October)
- l. 2nd Grade Send Off
  - i. PTO provides cookies and organizes a picnic celebration to send off the 2nd graders to the intermediate school in the spring

### **Old Business**

- a. School Supply Kits
  - i. Thank you families for purchasing and donating supply kits
  - ii. PTO Fundraiser- \$5 per kit back to PTO
- b. Conference Childcare (Age Group: Toddlers+)
  - i. Looking for someone to take ownership of this service to families
  - ii. Volunteer Guidelines needed

### **New Business**

- a. YSS- Kristi Leyva
  - i. Mentoring Facilitator for Gilbert Schools-
    - 1. 15 year olds and older are trained as mentors to support students K-8th Grade.
    - 2. 1x/week for about 45 minutes
    - 3. Any student can have a mentor- Mentors are used to support students and help build confidence and community

- 4. 2023-2024 school year had 38 matches
- b. Staff Email- Favorite Things Survey
  - i. Shared at the end of each the newsletter
- c. Branding Meeting - Zeal Design Co.
  - i. President, Annie Bjustrom, met with Alyssa Broussard to discuss developing a logo to use for marketing materials and apparel.
- d. Meeting Recap
  - i. Tuesdays @ 9:30 AM Gilbert Library
  - ii. Short Summary of the monday night meeting

**Next Meeting** is Oct. 7, 2024 at Gilbert High School at 7:00 PM

**Meeting Adjourned** at 7:56 PM

**Minutes Compiled By** Emily Danner- PTO Secretary