

PTA Public Meeting
June 5, 2025
5:30pm, Spring Glen Elementary Library

Agenda

Call to order & approval of minutes from 5/8

Reports

Principal's report
Treasurers' report
5K
Play

New Family Playdates for next year:

- July 28, 5-7pm, Villano Splashpad, hosted by Raquel Otheguy
- August 9, 10am-12pm, Denicola Park, hosted by Nette Compton
- August 23, 10am-12pm, Basset Park, hosted by Katie & David Henry

New business

1. Camp-out
2. Book Fair Committee
3. Budget – proposed spending plan for 2025-2026
4. Elections – election of officers for 2025-2026
5. Matters arising

Principal's Report

- Sixth grade trip to NYC, talent show was a success
- More enrollments for kindergarten
- Tonight is a big budget meeting could be up to 40+ layoffs unless we get a 2% increase.
Write to the council LCpublicinput@hamden.com

Treasurers' Report

- One public comment on the budget was a question as to why the 6th grade gets more funding
- End the year with a budget surplus
- Think about ways we can make use of that money
- Play and 5K had better than expected outcomes
- Quiet boxes moved to next year

5K

- 5k went well, approximately \$6,000 profit

- Need more volunteers in the future, a lot of back and forth with the DJ, raffle
- Need specific volunteer requests (deal with police, banner, t-shirts)
- No walker bibs saved time

Play

- Positive equitable moment that it got performed for the whole school
- Sound equipment needs improvement

New Family Playdates

- Katie Henry organized
- July 28, 5 - 7pm Villano Splashpad, Raquel Otheguy
- August 9, 10-12 Denicola Park, Nette Compton
- August 23, 10 - 12 Basset Park, Katie & David Henry

Camp Out

- 27 people staying overnight
- 4 people picnic only
- Shopping tomorrow and then drop off at site in Southington
- There will be a loss but it's covered by the budget

Book Fair Committee

- 1 shipment away from having all the books students chose
- Every student is getting a book based on class votes
- We learned book fair could work with parent teacher conferences
- Mr. Judd helped a lot

Budget Voting

- New budget reflects more profit from 5K
- More money going to assemblies and scholarships
- Moved quiet room to next year
- Some money set aside for matching funds "member driven projects"
- Chloe added an amendment for more money for playground equipment
- Amendment passed
- Vote for budget passed unanimously

Officers

- Leaving officers: Rachel Gasana (President), Misha Serfillippi (Membership), and Charles Barnett (Treasurer)
- Heather Strycharz staying as Secretary (2024 - 2026)
- Allison Dickin staying as VP of Communications (2024 - 2026)
- Brenden Woo, treasurer (2024-2026)
- Melissa Whitson, membership voted in

Mum Sale

Misha will do teacher's breakfast

Attendees

Josh Groffman

Rachel Gasana

Misha Serfillippi

Adriana Bergstrom

Susan Dorfman

Chloe O'Connell

Howard Hornreich

Allison Dickin

Heather Strycharz

Charles Barnett

Melissa Whitson