



**DRAFT: Meeting Minutes of the PTO
November 26, 2018**

Call to Order, Welcome and Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order and Co-Chairs April Mbida and Becky Andersen warmly welcomed attendees to the fourth PTO meeting of the 2018-19 school year. Input from our active and diverse PTO is critical to the continuous improvement and advancement of its mission. Please email the PTO at goldapto@gmail.com with any comments, concerns, questions and suggestions you may have as we all work together to grow and improve the Golda Community.

Members reviewed the minutes of the October 29, 2018 PTO meeting and approved them as distributed. All PTO meeting minutes are posted on the Golda website under the Parents tab.

Treasurer's Report

The PTO balance as of November 21, 2018 was \$4944.00, with no reported account activity at this time. Principal Carter reports that she is working on obtaining the refund from Discovery World that is due to PTO.

Golda teachers and staff are reminded that requests for funding of classroom supplies, project expenses, etc. can be placed with the PTO. Please contact GoldaPTO@gmail.com with any questions regarding the PTO Funding Request process and see the "Parents" tab on the Golda website for the funding request form.

Principal's Report

Principal Carter reported that the 3rd grade open house would be held on 12/3/18 from 5:30pm to 7pm. Additionally, from January 1, 2019 through mid-February, the high school course selection process will begin for middle schoolers.

Parent Coordinator's Report

Parent Coordinator, Liza Cohen, reported on the Parent Portal account procedure and stated that set up and sign up instructions can be found in the upper and lower campus offices.

Fund Board

Colleen Janczewski reported on behalf of the Fund Board. Currently, the Fund Board is placing an emphasis on alumni involvement, with utilizing various social media sites. All social media pages to be approved by Principal Carter prior to being made public.

Plans for an alumni event to be held on December 19, 2018 at the Golda Meir upper campus auditorium at 5:30pm. More details to follow.

Please email Fund Board co-chair Colleen Janczewski at colleenjanczewski@gmail.com with any questions regarding the event or the Fund Board in general.

High School Development and Recruitment

No report given at the November 26, 2018 meeting.

PAGE and SENG

A student-advocacy workshop took place in October 2018 with a goal of having students who participated in this workshop train other students on self-advocacy.

Upcoming PAGE/SENG events:

12/3/18: trivia night for 4th-6th grade from 6pm-8pm at Whitnall High School

1/9/19: College Panel to take place at New Berlin High School

2/23/19: Opportunity Fair in Grafton- info to be provided on summer programming for students

3/1/19: Game night to be held in Wauwatosa with school location TBD.

Green Team

The Green Team has secured a grant for a botanical garden. The total cost of the project is \$642,000 with \$180,000 needed to be fundraised. The goal is to have this secured by December 31, 2018. Discussion regarding a booklet for playground redevelopment was proposed with a request made to staff regarding pics of students to place in booklet.

A recycling program has been proposed, with an action plan having been submitted to the district. More information is to come.

A Broadworks grant for redevelopment around the upper campus has been secured.

The Green Team has received a grant to fund an art project for the upper and lower campus, which will result in a mural being designed for the campuses.

The Maker's Space is open from 8am-5pm beginning in January 2019.

Discussion of the Young Farmer's Program possibly starting in January 2019.

CHEERS TO MS. GLEASON!!! She is the recipient of Excellence in Teaching through Economics of WI award!!

Ongoing Business

Trivia Night to held February 1, 2019, beginning at 6pm We are looking to have at least 8 businesses sponsor the event with \$100 being donated per business.

Boardgame Club has had an unexpected high turnout and more games have been requested. A \$200 fund request was requested and approved by PTO to fund the club to provide more boardgames.

Should child care be provided at the PTO meetings? Topic tabled for 1/28/19 PTO meeting.

Next Meeting

The next PTO meeting of the 2018-19 school year is scheduled for Monday, **January 28, 2019** at 6:30 p.m. in Golda Meir's Upper Campus library. It will be immediately preceded by the School Engagement Council (formerly Governance Council) meeting which is open to all of Golda's staff and families and will start at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yvonne Cook
PTO Recording Secretary