

September 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

- A. Will the meeting please come to order at 6:45 pm (Tap 2x)
- B. Quorum present?: Yes X No _____
- C. Please stand for the Pledge.

II. Officers Reports

A. Recording Secretary: Theresa

1. Theresa, will you please read the minutes from the August meeting?
Motion to wave by Daniela, second by Lisa Kelly
2. Are there any corrections or additions? NO
3. The minutes stand approved (as corrected) (tap 1x)
4. Thank you, Theresa.

B. Treasurer's Report: Daniela

1. Checking account balance \$47,008.61 / \$47129.27
2. Are there any corrections or additions? NO
3. The report will be placed on file for audit.

C. Corresponding Secretary: Maria

1. NO correspondence
2. _____

D. President- Kristin

1. Welcome to our September PTA meeting! My name is Kristin Fusaro and I am PTA president this year. I'd like to introduce our board.
 - a) 1st VP- Dorothy Ramirez
 - b) 2nd VP- Lisa Kelly
 - c) 3rd VP- Mr. Garofola
 - d) Treasurer- Daniela Silvera
 - e) Recording Secretary- Theresa Bonanno
 - f) Corresponding Secretary- Maria Figliozzi

g) Council Delegate- Vanessa Figliozi

2. Thank yous:

- a) Kindergarten Kick Off - Thank you to Daniela and Theresa, as well as all of those who volunteered to help. Great job with the goodie bags, and helping to welcome our youngest students to the building! It was a great way for them to start their journey at Albany.
- b) Daniela also set up a welcome back Staff Brunch- thank you very much for welcoming our teachers back in style!
- c) Thank you to Kerry Murphy for getting our 2025-26 PTA calendar and bulletin board set up for the new year.
- d) Thank you to Vanessa Figliozi, Missy Tedesco and the Lindy Lends a Hand committee for the Free Little Library newly installed at the front entrance! This gift from the PTA was decorated and stocked by students and we look forward to seeing it put to good use.

3. Communications:

- a) We have a PTA Facebook page- if you would like to join, please be sure to answer the admission questions. Please keep in mind that this page is for PTA related information only.
- b) Our publicity committee produces a monthly Bulldog Bulletin newsletter sent out electronically- please be on the lookout for that.
- c) PTA committees have email addresses and Google Drives that are filled with resources to help you have a successful year. If you are chairing a committee, please use the PTA email address for all communications, and be sure to access the Google Drive early to get familiar with it.
- d) PTA sends flyers home whenever possible. Chairs, please remember that all PTA correspondence should be sent to me first for approval, and then to Mr. G, followed by translation.

- e) Any questions about budget lines, reimbursements or other financial matters should be directed to Daniela. Dorothy and I are also signers on the bank account, but Daniela maintains the books and will be your best point of contact with those questions.
- f) Please call, text or email any time- but be patient with response time, as I'm also a teacher and mom of three.

4. We are all volunteers:

- a) Our PTA is an amazing group of people who are ALL volunteers, stepping up in a variety of ways, big and small, to support the students and staff at Albany Avenue. Most of us have full time jobs, other children, lots of other commitments and responsibilities. Thank you for all you do! Looking forward to an amazing year.

E. 1st Vice President - Dorothy

1. Back to School Movie Night- Free! All Albany families are welcome, this Friday 9/12 at 7pm in the back field (rain date 9/19). Minecraft Movie! Bring your blankets and chairs. 5th Grade Committee will be selling snacks.
2. Moonlight Masquerade-
3. Bulldog News Letter
4. March 20- Bulldog Bash
5. Sign up to be a member

F. 2nd Vice President - Lisa Kelly

1. Sunshine Balance NTR
2. Sunshine is a fund for students going through a hardship- a small treat from the PTA to lift their spirits.

G. 3rd Vice President - Mr. G

1. Thanked the PTA

2. Thanked the teachers

3. Dr. Q spoke thanking the PTA

4. Mr G. thanked for the welcome breakfast and help during Kindergarten

H. Council Delegate - Vanessa

1. The Lindenhurst Council of PTAs is made up of representatives from each Lindenhurst PTA unit, as well as various administrators and Board members. We meet monthly to share district-wide information. All are welcome to attend. Our next meeting is on 9/30 at 7:30pm at the McKenna building, and Albany will be hosting.

I. Past President- Valerie

1. _____

III. Standing Committee Reports

A. Lindy Lends a Hand - Vanessa

1. Free Little Library installed this summer
2.

3. Community Service opportunities will be offered throughout the year. Your child can earn community service hours and be eligible for an award at the end of the year.

B. Ways and Means - Dorothy

1. NTR

C. Historian - Luis

1. Please email all school or PTA related photos to Historian@AlbanyPTALindenhurst.com

D. Membership - Dorothy

1. Theme:
2. All PTA volunteers must be paid members for the 2025-26 school year, as required by our insurance policy. If you are signed up for a committee or are considering volunteering in any way this year, please be sure to sign up.
3. Sign up by today and get double entries into the raffle. Not sure what is it or when it is (per Dorothy) but you get two entries!

E. Room Rep - chair by Dorothy (Kristin reports)

1. Room representatives serve as classroom helpers for the teachers- they are liaisons for the PTA, but chosen solely by the classroom teachers. You may serve as head room rep for only one class per year, but can be a helper for additional classes. Room reps must be paid PTA members for the 2025-26 school year, and are expected to attend PTA meetings monthly.
2. Room representative interest forms went home last week- be on the lookout and please send them in ASAP if you are interested in being considered.
3. A different form requesting class fund money is on its way home, as well. We recently moved to a new system of asking for all funds up

front, rather than sending home many requests throughout the year.
Please feel free to contribute as much or as little as you are
comfortable doing; the Room Reps rely on those funds to give the kids
a great year, as we appreciate whatever you can contribute. Please
don't send the room rep interest form and the class party money in
the same envelope.

F. SEPTA - Lisa Kelly

1. First meeting is 9/29. Scan and join. Do not need a child with special needs to join .

Special Committees

G. Homecoming - Missy

1. Saturday 10/18
2. Theme: Disney Parks. Albany's theme is Haunted Mansion.
3. All are welcome to participate in making the float and marching with Albany in the parade. These are not drop off events- an adult must participate.
4. Sign up to help sheet passed around.

H. Moonlight Masquerade - Dorothy

1. Friday 10/24, rain date 10/30.
2. Trunks needed- please sign up
3. _____

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Audit Report- Maria F.

1. The Audit committee met over the summer to examine the books from 1/1-6/30/25 and have signed off that the books are in order. The audit report is available for review if you would like to see it.

V. New Business

- A. Budget - posted on website and copies on table. Daniela, please review the proposed changes noted.
- B. Are there any questions about the budget?
- C. Is there a motion to approve the budget as present? 1st: Maria 2nd: Lisa K
 - 1. All in favor of approving the proposed budget? All opposed? Any absents? The budget passes/fails. Budget Passes

D. Additional expenditure vote- Kristin

- 1. I'd like to propose two expenses not outlined in the budget:
 - a) Purchasing our own Movie Night equipment will be an up front investment that will save us money down the road, as the cost of renting this equipment yearly continues to rise. Thank you to Luis for compiling a number of options with our equipment needs. Costs for this equipment vary widely, and it will be based on what is available and also compatible with the school network. As such, I believe \$2,000 should be sufficient to meet our needs.
 - (1) (someone else must make the following motion)- *I move that the PTA authorize an expenditure of up to \$2,000 for the purpose of purchasing Movie Night equipment.*
Dorothy and Lisa -second
 - (2) Are there any questions about the motion? NONE
 - (3) All in favor of approving the motion: ALL opposed: NONE
 - (4) *The motion carries/fails.*
 - b) *The purchase of a large lockable storage shelving unit to accommodate additional storage needs for PTA supplies.*
 - (1) (someone else must make the following motion)- *I move that the PTA authorize an expenditure of up to \$1,000 for the purpose of purchasing storage equipment.* second
 - (2) Are there any questions about the motion? _____
 - (3) All in favor of approving the motion: _____ opposed: _____
 - (4) *The motion carries/fails.*

E. Any other new business? _____

VI. Next PTA Meeting will be Thursday 10/9 at 7pm. Thank you for your support and I'm looking forward to an amazing year working with all of you!

VII. Meeting adjourned _____