

MINUTES - PTF General Meeting

TIME: 7:30 pm

LOCATION: [TEAMS](#) Meeting ID: 262 046 378 271 353

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DATE: September 15, 2026

I. Meeting called to order and attendance:

7:33 PM

Mairin Gulliver, Kyle Puzichov, Janki Patel, Alexandra MacLean, Kristen O'Neil, Michelle Norris, Nicole Bouchard, Rachel Long, Martina Kenyon, Ashley Jayne, Kate Bell, Chiara Montaguti, Nicole Melnik, Hilary Sturgis, Lenai Camacho, Sui Lee-Arteaga, Elakkiya Paindian, Laura Zilch-Nivedith, Brittany Sterling, Priya, Catalina Gray

II. Secretary's Report (approval of [minutes from 6.9.26 meeting](#))

Motion to approve: Rachel Long

Second: Nicole Bouchard

III. Treasurer's Report: Vote on 2026-2027 Budget

Brief explanation of increasing the enrichment budget based on costs and family interest. Also increased discretionary funds for student-facing funds (ex: recess cart). No questions. Increase over last year with a buffer.

Motion to approve: Lenai Camacho

Second: Ashley Jayne

IV. Discussion:

1. Classroom Coordinators Needed- openings for grade 6 and UA Specialists (new this year)
2. Past events recap:
 - i. Summer Playground Meetups
Positive experiences and new outreach for families
 - ii. K & New Student Orientation
 - iii. Stock the Lounge
Lots of generosity by families- high successful- Provided paper towels, Keurig machine, Clorox wipes- will do this again
 - iv. Staff Breakfast - August 27
 - v. Chalk the Walk - August 30
 - vi. Mascot Greetings - August 31 and September 1
First time doing this, positive feedback from kids and families
 - vii. Back to School Night - Sept 14
Positive energy, supportive role, Spirit Wear kick off
3. Upcoming events:
 - i. Spirit Wear - on sale now!

Started to sell at Back to School Night, emails about Spirit Wear coming and on social media, teachers can order too, likely do spirit wear again in spring, let the group know if there are any wants or ideas for next order

- ii. Staff Dinner - 9/14 before Back to School Night
Appreciated by the staff very much!
- iii. WooSox - 9/18, 6:05pm
Sold 42 tickets as of 9/14, tickets are still available for purchase
- iv. Community Coffee - 9/25, 9:30am
In person at Blanchard on last Friday of the month, opportunity to meet with Mr. Votto
- v. Campus Clean Up - 10/4, 9-10:30am
Get the campus ready for Fall Fest, model community service as family, connect to theme of Growing Together and planting new bulbs
- vi. Fall Fest - 10/24, 3:30-6pm (Sensory friendly 3-3:30pm)
One of signature events, chance to come together as community, train ride, arts and crafts, food trucks, Magician show, apple cider/popcorn, sign up link coming for volunteering, volunteers being asked of parents as well as community or past Blanchard students
- vii. Fun Run - 10/30
Kristin Hillberg will help sponsor the event again, incentives and logistics are starting to be planned, beginning goal of 20k with a Stretch goal of 25K, kick off early October, biggest and only kid-fundraiser,

4. [Volunteers](#)

5. [Amazon wish list](#)

Will be added and updated with ongoing needs

6. Ideas! Email info@blanchardptf.org

Would love to have additional ideas

7. Next general PTF meeting: Tues 11/17 at 7:30pm

V. Additional Comments/Community Questions:

Priya asked a question about spelling bee (based on Conant experience)

Elakkiya expressed appreciation for the community and being excited to start at Blanchard.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING (NOTE TIME): 8:02 PM

Notes: