

Pope PTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2023

Call to Order & Welcome

PTSA President: Good evening. Welcome to the PTSA General Membership Meeting. My name is Beth Moore and I am the PTSA President. I would like to remind everyone that this is a meeting of the PTSA and only members of the PTSA may vote. Please identify yourself when you speak.

I am pleased to call this meeting of the Pope PTSA to order at 7:02 PM.

I would like to ask you all to rise as we say the Pledge of Allegiance.

I would like to begin today's meeting with this message from Jane D. Hull. "At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents".

Parent involvement definitely shows in our success. Thank you to our Pope family for supporting our PTSA. I am proud to announce that we have been recognized as a National PTA School of Excellence. We are 1 of 29 schools in the entire State of Georgia to be recognized and the only high school in Cobb County to earn this distinction!

I. Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum

PTSA President: Our first order of business is to **establish quorum**. Our secretary, Rachel Allgood, could not be here tonight, so Jen Koch is filling in for her. Jen will now determine if we have a quorum. We will only be able to take official action if a quorum is present. Jen, **is there a quorum present?**

[Secretary can establish quorum through a roll call of the PTA/PTSA membership or by asking those at the meeting to identify themselves. The secretary needs to establish a quorum by counting only PTSA members. Our quorum is 15 members.]

PTSA Secretary: "YES, there is a quorum present."

III. Action Items

I. Approval of the Previous Minutes

PTSA President: Jen Koch will now present the minutes from our last General Membership Meeting.

PTSA Secretary (Jen Koch): The minutes from the last general meeting held on April 11, 2023 are posted on the PTSA website and posted at the doors.

PTSA President: Are there any corrections? No correction were made.

PTSA President: If there are no (*further*) corrections, may I have a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes? A second? All in favor, please say "Aye." All opposed, please say "Nay." The minutes will be filed for audit.

II. Reports

PTSA President: I will now ask our Treasurer, Leann Collins, to present the Treasurer's Report.

PTSA Treasurer: We have received income to date of **\$46,834**. We have dispersed **\$32,695** for expenses received to date. Our current balance is **\$15,140**.

PTSA President: Since the Treasurer's Report is a statement of fact, no motion or approval is required, and it will be filed for audit. At this time, I will ask the Treasurer to present this year's audit for discussion.

PTSA Treasurer: The audit for the 2022-2023 PTA books was performed by DEPco Accounting Services, Inc. and the books were found to be in order. A copy of the audit is posted on the website for review. Are there any questions?

PTSA President: Since the audit is complete and cannot be modified, no motion or approval is required, and it will be filed. At this time, I will ask the Treasurer to present this year's budget for discussion.

IV. New Business

PTSA President: The chair knows of no other unfinished business. We will now move to New Business. Our first order of business is to adopt the 2023-2024 budget. I would like to ask our Treasurer, Leann Collins, to present the proposed budget for discussion.

PTSA Treasurer: The budget has been posted for review on our website and on the screen above. On behalf of the Executive Committee, I move that this budget be adopted as presented.

PTSA President: May I have a motion to adopt the budget? Is there a second? Is there any discussion or questions? No discussion was had.

*"The motion is to adopt the budget as presented. All in favor, please say "Aye." All opposed, please say "Nay."
Motion made by PTSA member and seconded by another member of the PTSA. Motion passed by unanimous vote of members present. A quorum having already been established.*

Committee Report: Read by Jen Koch

Grants- We are now accepting grant applications from the staff and will be working with the administration on the process over the next few weeks. Thank you to those that have joined and donated to help make this possible for our staff. We are able to supplement our students' educational experience with your generosity.

Volunteers- We need you! Our school doesn't run well without our volunteers. You don't have to commit to a recurring shift, you can check our website for opportunities daily or sign up to be notified of openings. Or you can have a recurring shift. We have options for everyone's busy schedule.

Front office- great way to learn the school policies, front office staff and administration

PPO- great way to learn school policies

Counseling- great way to learn the pathways to college and career readiness, emotional support, advisement procedures, etc.

Community Service Hours- We have implemented a new digital platform to encourage more students to become more involved in our community with the goal of earning the honor service cord for graduation. The MobileServe app has been a great success. It tracks the hours and have them easily approved. We have 160 active users with 809 TOTAL HOURS logged so far, which is a \$22,016 ECONOMIC VALUE.

Membership- We are close to our goal of 1200 members!! The membership drive is almost over, but it isn't too late to join. Every family membership purchased by September 3rd, will be entered into a drawing for the items listed on our website and in the slide.

Partners in Education- please see the slide with all of our Platinum and Gold level partners. Please support our partners as they support us.

PTSA President: Is there any additional New Business to be brought forth?

V. Announcements

PTSA President: Are there any announcements?

The new Parent breakfast is Monday, August 28th at 9am in the learning commons with our counseling department and Partner in Education, 2MyPlace. A nonprofit organization that offers classes on life, business, stress management and confidence skills.

Don't forget to purchase a Mr. Clean car wash and 50% goes back to the Pope PTSA. Membership drive closes September 3rd with great prizes, don't miss out. Link is on our website and facebook page. Flyers at the table in the lobby too.

Parent Prep 101 webinar- This is a one hour webinar designed to guide parents from the time your student is choosing classes in 7th grade until they are filling out college applications their senior year. We give you a year by year timeline, and helpful information on how to support and prepare your student before they get to senior year. We will include information on career paths, AP (Advanced Placement) classes, GaFutures, HOPE scholarships, HOPE grants, when to take the ACT and SAT and how to help your athlete get recruited.

****Webinar pricing is \$65 and includes a private Facebook group for additional information and ongoing support.**

VI. Adjournment

PTA/PTSA President: Meeting is adjourned at 7:32pm