



FTHS PFSO General Meeting Minutes

Tues. Aug 19, 2025 @ 6:15 PM

Foothill Library

100 Day Road Ventura, CA 93003

Board and Committee Chairs (*holds more than one

position)

POSITION	NAME	PRESENT?
Executive Board Officers		
Past President	Kerry Murphy	N
President	Erica Mullins	N
Vice President	Kim Prillhart	Y
2nd VP	Principal Courtney Johnson	Y
Secretary	Heather O'Toole*	Y
Treasurer	Jolene Benedik	Y
Membership Co-Chair	Sara Carlson	Y
Membership Co-Chair	Krista Mendelsohn	Y
Parliamentarian	Cory Kalanick	Y
Board Officers		
Faculty Rep	Becca Wulff	Y
9th grade Rep		
10th grade Rep	Claire Adams	N
11th grade Rep	Leslie Hinojosa*	Y
12th grade Rep	Kristin Ippolito*	N
Standing Committee Chairs		
Fundraising co-chair	Heather O'Toole	Y
Fundraising co-chair	Laurissa Winner-Ohl	Y
Social Media Chair	Jen Levitz	Y
Hospitality Chair	Leslie Hinojosa	Y
Teacher Appreciation Chair	Kristin Ippolito*	N
PAC REP		
Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Representative	Kristin Ippolito*	

Additional Attendees: Joel Levitz, Mina Patel, Yoagsu Patel

Additional Online Attendees: Phone Krista Mendelsohn

Total Attendees: 14

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Kim Prillhart called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

Special Strategic Planning Meeting

- I. Consent agenda:
 - a. Request delay the approval of May Meeting Minutes
Motion to delay of May meeting minutes was made, seconded, and passed.
 - b. Amend the May meeting minutes to include Treasure Jolene Benedik
Motion to amend the May meeting minutes was made, seconded, and passed.
- II. Reports and Updates
 - A. **Principals Report: Courtney Johnson**
 - 1. Very happy to see so many people on the board and ready with fresh ideas and supporting the school.
 - 2. Foothill has great momentum this school year. We have hired 17 new staff members.
 - a) New Athletic director Jason Dinkler. He already has all coach positions filled which has been a big challenge for us.
- III. Budget Planning **Jolene Benedik**
 - A. Created a presentation for spending and budget for the last two years and how they were categorized. Made some suggestions into budget categories.
 - B. Is the Phone and some other categories necessary for spending. Jolene will look into and also try to negotiate for lower costs.
 - C. Need subcommittee for budget Finalization.
 - a. Leslie Hinojosa, Jen Levitz and Jolene Benedick
 - b. Need to have budget finalization by September 2nd 2025 and adopted by committee to be presented at Back to School Night September 18th, 2025.
- IV. Strategic Planning Session:
 - A. Boosting Membership **Sara Carlson and Krista Mendelsohn**
 - 1. Welcome packet materials went sent home to every student
 - 2. Created an Event & Tasks membership timeline to help break down what opportunities were utilized and what worked.
 - 3. How to increase membership at Back to School night and New student Orientation.
 - 4. Make sign up easier-created a paper form to fill out at New Student.
 - 5. Visibility at school events and social media. Great Success with coffee with the principal.
 - 6. Streamline payment options - Venmo, zelle and applepay?
 - 7. We have 145 members, 20 carry over from prepayment out of a total of 957 students.
 - 8. Looking into shirt sales and vendors to see if we could make money.
 - B. Fundraising **Heather O'Toole and Laurissa Winner-Ohl**
 - 1. Focus on three ideas for Fundraising
 - a. Mardi Gras Event date set to March 6th, 2026 confirming venue - Live auction and Online Auction.

- b. Direct Drive Donation: Feed the Dragon on back to school night
- c. Family Dinner Night- Just one focus, don't want to compete again Booster or ASB.

C. Faculty and Student Involvement **Kim Prillhart**

- 1. Be at first staff meeting September 15th, 2025 to personally invite the teachers and staff to be a part of PFSO-only \$12.50 for them.
- 2. How do we get more students involved?

D. Action Planning **Kim Prillhart**

- 1. Location of Meetings, do we want to keep them at the school?
 - a. YES
- 2. Is Zoom something we want to do for the meetings? Who will be in charge of setting that up?

Krista will contact Val and find out the password for zoom and how she connected.

- i. Yes, easiest way for parent involvement.
- 3. Create a Master Calendar to schedule outreach and fundraising activities.
 - a. Yes, need to create something for next meeting. Follow up with Erica what she thinks is best.
- 4. Vote for upcoming meeting dates (not necessarily on second Tuesday given competing VUSD board meetings.
 - a. 9/2/25
 - b. 10/7/25
 - c. 11/4/25
 - d. 12/09/25
 - e. 01/13/26
 - f. 02/03/26
 - g. 2/24/26
 - h. 4/07/26
 - i. 5/05/26

Motion to approve to meeting dates was made, seconded, and passed.

E. Questions and comments from attendees- None

Meeting concluded at 8:38pm

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