AG Bell PTSA
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Type: General Membership Meeting
Date: Thursday Sept 17, 2026
Time: 7pm-8pm
Location: AG Bell Cafeteria

Attendees:
Mindy Levering, co-President
Blake Herrera, co-President
Alan Wilson, Treasurer
Shaina Green, co-VP Community Events
Bethany Stolle co-VP Fundraising/Membership
Yanet Rodriguez Valdes, Secretary

PTSA members:

1. Laura Hackenbracht
2. Amanda Brueske
3. Danielle Gonzales Maez
4. Ali Saeed
5. Tatiana Volkova
6. Rae Martinez Niro
7. Anand Raju
8. Preeti Kumar
9. Natalie Mayhew
10. Kelly Schmidt
11. Jonathan Green
12. Michael Pysson
13. Molly Masoner
14. Robyn Meyer
15. Julio Isla
16. Robb Meyer
17. Keri Morgan
18. Adriana Lima
19. Amanda Gaspar
20. Lindsay Pysoon

General Public:

1. Emily Metteer
2. Sanaz Younesi
3. Jaclyn Donald
4. Azure Grossi
5. Shass Yorkl
6. Nacibeh Eghtedari
7. Marika McCaddon
8. Christopher Loken
9. Erica Whitehead
10. Harshpreet Walia
11. Crystal Saran
12. Isha Singhal
13. Molly Mosoner
14. Rosa Hernandez Hernandez
15. Kayleigh McGuire
16. Ola Alsarraj
17. Stella Vanderyan
18. Kiane Santos

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1. **Call to Order –** The Co-president Blake Herrera called the meeting to order at 6:55pm. The quorum was met with **26** PTSA members in attendance, including the PTSA Board members. There were 18 other non- PTSA members present.

2. **Approval of Agenda - Blake Herrera (Co-President)**
    a. Vote to approve agenda for **Sept. 17, 2026** AG Bell PTSA General Membership Meeting.

Motion: Blake Herrera
Seconded: Alan Wilson CARRIED

3. **Approval of Previous Minutes - Secretary**

The minutes from the June 4, 2026 PTSA general meeting were approved.

Motion: Bethany Stolle
Seconded: Yanet Rodriguez Valdes CARRIED

4. **Introduction of the Board** - Mindy and Blake introduced themselves as co-presidents for the 2026-2027 school year, joined by treasurer Alan Wilson, secretary Yanet Rodríguez, and various vice presidents including Bethany Stolle, Kristen Economaki, Shaina Green, Tammy Sitnick, Emily Boom, and Sana Lakhani.

5. **PTSA Overview - Co-Presidents.**

Blake outlined the four main pillars of the PTSA: advocacy, educational enrichment (including after-school programs), community building, and school support via grants and scholarships.

The co-presidents also described the PTSA's need for financial contributions and volunteers to lead or help with events. They reviewed the upcoming school and PTSA events:

- Picture Day and Walk and Roll to School Week
- An early-October Glow Fun Run fundraiser for student programs
- The Harvest Party on October 30
- A math competition/STEAM Night, a holiday gift drive, and Movie Night in January
- The school musical, Peter Pan, for students in grades 3–5, with performances planned for March

Co-presidents also noted that volunteers are needed for events, including the Harvest Party, staff appreciation, STEAM Night, and the spring celebration.

6. **Membership Approvals - Mindy**

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a. Standing Rules

Mindy moved the meeting to approval of the PTSA's standing rules. She explained that the updates clarified who may write checks and how electronic payments are approved, and allow the board to make budget changes of up to 10% without another membership vote. Once members vote on a change, that 10% limit resets.

Motion: Alan Wilson
Seconded: Bethany Stolle CARRIED

i. Corresponding updates in the Money Handling Policy

b. 2026-2027 Budget

Mindy presented the proposed PTSA budget and asked members to approve it. The budget projected about $87,000 in both income and expenses. A notable allocation was $9,000 for new library furniture, funded with the remaining school-improvement grant plus an additional $3,000. Mindy also clarified that $7,000 of the $8,200 listed for direct fundraising expenses was for the previous year.

Motion. Lindsey Pysoon
Seconded: Julio Isla CARRIED

7. **A word from the AG Bell Principals - Brian Story, Azure Grossi**
   Principal Brian Story introduced himself along with Associate Principals Rylee Brookhart and Azure Grossi regarding the admin team at Bell. They shared the school mission focused on fostering community learners who are kind, curious, motivated enough to be "future ready." Brian said the school would continue this work while learning about trauma-informed classroom practices with a University of Washington expert. He also noted that Curriculum Night on October 8 would offer a deeper look at the school's mission, vision, and expectations and would include an admin Q&A during the final 30 minutes.
   Rylee introduced Emerged, the new district-wide elementary literacy curriculum, and said students had already begun using it

8. **Questions/Feedback**
   No questions
9. **Adjournment** 6:40pm