



PTO General Meeting  
**Minutes**  
Location: Zoom

Thursday, February 17, 2022  
7:00pm

Principal: Dr. Levi Brown  
Executive Board Co-Presidents: Anastasia Nystedt & Becky Rush  
Executive Board Vice-President: Susan Blumberg-Kason  
Executive Board Treasurer & Assistant: Margie Jeffords & Elaine Gillman  
Executive Board Vice-President of Communications: Megan Maduri  
Secretary: Lindsey Patel  
Webmaster: Geegee Kan

1. Call to Order, Introductions & Welcome: 7:02pm
2. Approval of December 2021 General meeting minutes (Becky)  
**Motion to Approve. Second. Approved**
3. Principal's Report (Dr. Brown)
  - a. Successful week post mask optional adjustment
    - i. Encouraged family choice/Respect & Kindness
  - b. Grade level support
    - i. Orchestra tuners
    - ii. Calculators
  - c. Extracurricular
    - i. ISGMA band, basketball, Volleyball & clubs
  - d. Math Pilot continues 6cc & 8cc
  - e. Teacher Appreciation
    - i. Stock the Lounge
    - ii. Valentine's Day Treats
4. Treasurer's Report (Margie)
  - a. Budgets vs Actuals
    - i. Family Donations, registrations, phantom ball donations, and community partnerships.
    - ii. PTO income has exceeded expectations at this point for the school year
  - b. Pizza Wars
    - i. Last remaining fundraising opportunity
    - ii. Community Sponsorships - Gold Level CHT & Club Pilates
  - c. Capital Spending
    - i. Bike racks
  - d. Grade Level Spending
    - i. All grades: Chromebook charging cords, Cricut machine
    - ii. 6th grade (2115/2600): Human torso models for science
    - iii. 7th grade (2626/3900): Classroom headphones, advisory community games,



- iv. 8th Grade (4725/3000): Class set of calculators, supply stations for classrooms
  - v. Encore (2106/3000): AED Trainers for health classes, set of CPR mannequins for health, clip-on tuners for orchestra
5. Executive Board Nominations
- a. Specific needs:
    - i. 2 VPS (2 year term, 1 as VP and 1 as President)
    - ii. VP of communication (done from home)
  - b. Self nominate or nominate a friend at [chms PTO.org/board-nominations](http://chms.pto.org/board-nominations)
  - c. Contact Susan Blumberg-Kason with questions [VP@chmspto.org](mailto:VP@chmspto.org)
6. 2021 Highlights
- a. Staff Appreciation - Stock the lounge & Valentine Treats
  - b. Chess club - for any CHMS or HMS student, can be joined at any time, Wednesdays 4:45-5:45pm. Taught buy ICT. \$149. Questions to [paul@illinoischessteachers.com](mailto:paul@illinoischessteachers.com)
  - c. Peer Leadership - "The Leader in Me", random act of kindness day.
  - d. Eco Club - Compost bin project acquired with a grant from the Barret Family Foundation.
  - e. Science Fair Club - 10 members, picking topics they want to research. Upcoming showcase of their research.
7. Look Ahead
- a. Vending Machines - To start February 23. Accepts \$1 & \$5 bills, coins, credit/debit (swipe or tap) or pay by phone (apple/google pay etc)
8. Save the Date-
- a. Pizza wars April 27th outdoors (rain date April 28th)
  - b. 8th Grade graduation dance & dinner outdoors May 19th (rain date May 20th)
  - c. Graduation June 1st 6pm HMS Gym
  - d. Next General PTO meeting is May 19th time TBD
    - i. 2022-23 Budget Approval
    - ii. 2022-23 Executive Board office elections
9. Internet & Technology Randy Wooten -
- a. Presentation- [bit.ly/wootentechsafety](http://bit.ly/wootentechsafety)
  - b. Concepts & Skills for Parents in a Digital Age
10. Meeting Adjourned: 8:29 pm