

Glenmont PTA Meeting Minutes - September 2025

Date: 9/18/2025 Time: 7:00 pm

Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/wym-vfhp-phy>

Attendees - **Exec Board**: Sara Bailey, Katie Gianotti, David Flores, Kirpaul Babar, Chelsea Ducharme, Lei Gao

Admin/Faculty: Laura Heffernan, Gena Baldwin, Stephanie Deomel

Parents: Ashley Lennon, Kasey Aloisi, Carolin Supple, Meghan Lennox, Rachel Peselev, Bethanie Fagerquist, Ashley Cunningham, Jamie Brayton, Jeremy Romeiko, Marisa Santos, Diana Santamaria, Megan Brody, Christine Michalow, Kristina Ruhland, Roxanne Ellis, Maureen Marsh, Toni D'Amico, Kristin Carknard, Meeta Chadda, Arjana Delia, Eliza Zipper, Andrea Hecht-Zaki, Gregory Cramer, Kathryn Delong, Katherine Granuzzo, Nicole Derucher, Claudia Torres, Jacquelyn O'Connor, Heather Orth

Welcome – Sara

Introductions – All

Principal's Report – Laura

- Current enrollment: 394; district reviewing rebalancing due to uneven growth. The wasp issue has been addressed.
- New ELA curriculum (K–5) Bookworms implemented (piloted last year; uses real books).
- Former March MATHness moves to October (new name TBD).
- Two evacuation drills completed, lockdown drill next week.
- iReady underway and results will be available in October.
- Environmental educator George steel will visit next week.
- School picture day tomorrow.
- Fifth graders will start making morning announcements next week and raise/lower the flag.
- Fire safety assemblies are coming up.
- Character assemblies have started: monthly recognition of one student per class for being kind, respectful and responsible, plus Glenmont Gold Awards for ongoing positive behavior.
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Comments from Reading Teachers – Gena and Stephanie

- Spoke highly of Bookworms: pilots were successful.
- At home: ask about shared reading time and the day's ELA book.

Recording Secretary Report – Lei

- Primary duty: record minutes of PTA meetings.
- Minutes will be posted under Glenmont PTA on District website.
- Procedures: Sara – Motion approved for the June meeting minutes.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Chelsea

- Manages the PTA Gmail inbox and routes questions to the appropriate chair; welcomes inquiries.
- Prepares the PTA newsletter and can add event updates or distribute flyers: email/text details.

Treasurer's Report – David

- See appendix for June–August income and expenses.

- Expenses appear higher than income because many end of year 5th grade costs post in June and are paid from 5th grade fundraising.
- 4th and 5th grade fundraising will be kept in separate bank accounts this year.
- Budget:
 - Same as the provisional budget (membership will be higher than in budgeted).
 - Procedures: Sara – Vote to approve the 25-26 budget: 39 ayes 0 nays – motion carried.

President's Council – Katie

- Monthly meeting of district leaders and PTA/PTO presidents.
- First meeting in October; Katie to share highlights.

SEPTA Update – David

- District-wide PTA providing resources and support to parents, teachers and children in special education.
- Glenmont liaison (David) is the point of contact; questions/ideas can go to him or the SEPTA board.
- Information: Flyer with QR code to the website (also in tomorrow's newsletter).
- Membership: All are welcome; no time commitment required: volunteer as much or as little as you'd like.
- Currently focuses on spreading awareness, sharing resources, and advocating on issues raised by families.
- Meetings run about monthly; dates posted on the website.

Membership Update – Sara

- Current: 168 members (up from 127 last year); goal: 190.
- No meeting/volunteer requirement to join.
- Questions/payments: contact Paul or David (or any board member).

Directory Update – Kirpaul

- Currently includes 231 students.
- Only families who submitted info can view; login via your email and a shared password (to be sent after finalization).
- Shows grades in which you have students; PTA admins can export full lists for committee needs.
- Email Chelsea or Kirpaul to correct or remove entries.
- Directory is opt-in. Minimal entries are acceptable, but a more complete list helps with event/class lists.

September Events Recap – Katie

- Welcome Back Coffee: ~35–40 attendees; committee sign-ups collected and shared with chairs.
- PTA table at open house.
- Welcome Back Picnic: moved to rain date due to bees; strong turnout.
- Teacher breakfast: Panera breakfast provided the day after Open House to thank staff.

Attendance Zone Committee Update – Sara

- District committee of ~30–35 (parents, teachers, principals).
- Goals: equitable class sizes across all five elementaries while minimizing student moves.

- October 9 work session: 1. Identify neighborhood clusters 2. List supports families/students would need if transitioning (e.g., tours/orientation).
- Major inputs/constraints: class-size targets, geocoded student information, transportation.
- Reach out to Sara for questions.

PREVIEW OF 2025-26 EVENTS

- Halloween Ball (focus next month) in October
- CAPER first event in November
- Movie Night in December & May
- Book Fair(s) in December & May, with the Grand Event in May
- Activities Fair in January
- Winter Carnival in February
- Parents' Night Out in March
- STEM Night in March
- Enrichment in March
- Art & Ice Cream in May
- Field Day in June

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Picture Day : Friday, September 19th
- Rosh Hashanah : September 23rd, No School
- Custodian Appreciation Day: October 1st
- Yom Kippur: October 2nd, No School
- PTA Meeting : October 9th 7-8 pm in Library
- Indigenous People's Day: October 13th, No School
- PTA Membership Dues : By October 18th
- Superintendent's Conference Day: October 20th, No School
- Halloween Ball: October 24th, 6:00-8 pm
 - First planning meeting 9/26 at 10 am at Panera; all welcome!

1000 Books – Rachel

- Starting next week.
- For K–2 families: students bring home bags of 10 books (rotated regularly); encourages families to read a total of 1000 books to their children.

DEI Committee – Jacquelyn

- All are welcome to join; contact GlenmontPTADEI@gmail.com to be added to email list and invited to virtual meetings.
- Spirit Wear Clothing Giveback: help more students feel included on school spirit days.

Door Prize

- **Winner:** Maureen Marsh
- **Prize:** Halloween ball entry

Meeting adjourned: 8:09 PM

Appendix

Glenmont PTA Treasurer's Report 9/18/2025

Expenses June, July, and August: PTA Checking

<i>SUM of Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>		
<i>Memo</i>	2425	2526	Grand Total
4th Grade		-1	-1
5th Grade	-50.66	-1295.33	-1345.99
5th Grade (Class Gift)	-691.2		-691.2
5th Grade (Flowers)	-32.4		-32.4
5th Grade (Pit Party)	-180.74		-180.74
5th Grade (Tie Dye)	-213.78		-213.78
5th Grade Moving Up Kona Ice	-310		-310
5th Grade Pit Party Supplies	-37.8		-37.8
5th Grade Pit Party Supplies Snacks	-104.63		-104.63
5th Grade T-Shirts	-693.21		-693.21
Art and Ice Cream	-77.37		-77.37
Audit	-97.2		-97.2
Cafeteria Appreciation Day 2025	-100		-100
Committee Chair Meeting		-191.5	-191.5
DJ for 5th Grade Pit Party	-600		-600
Field Day	-371.28		-371.28
Field Day Food for Volunteer and Teacher	-726		-726
Field Day T-Shirts	-2645.74		-2645.74
Flowers for Teacher Retirement	-50		-50
Ice for Field Day	-16.24		-16.24
Kona Ice	-52.8		-52.8
Magnets		-190	-190
MISC		-5.4	-5.4
Paper Products for Field Day	-26.31		-26.31
PTA Scholarship	-350		-350
Scholastic Book Fair Payment	-819.26		-819.26
Senior Assembly	-38.55		-38.55
Senior Assembly Balloons	-43.84		-43.84
Teacher Grant	-90.64		-90.64
Transportation 5th Grade Field Trip	-3600		-3600

WORKFORCE	-41.64		-41.64
Grand Total	-12061.29	-1683.23	-13744.52

Income June, July and August: PTA Checking

<i>SUM of Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>		
<i>Memo</i>	2425	2526	Grand Total
4th Grade Fundraising	1060		1060
5th Grade Super Bowl Square Fundraiser	1000		1000
Credit to PTA Return for Senior Assembly	33.54		33.54
Dividend	2.06	3.82	5.88
Membership	20		20
PNO	80		80
Spiritwear		14.61	14.61
Upstate Images Yearbook Profits 2025	631.89		631.89
Grand Total	2827.49	18.43	2845.92

Balances, as of 9/1/25

PTA Checking: \$21,605.72

5th grade Fundraising: \$5,365.66

4th grade Fundraising: \$1.20

Big Backyard Balance: \$712.55 (No expenses, \$0.18 in interest income)

Expenses June, July, and August: 5th Grade

Income June, July, and August: 5th Grade

+4070.13 Moved from 4th to 5th

+1295.33 Moved from PTA Checking to 5th (fundraising dollars originally deposited in PTA checking)

+.19 Dividend

Notes: ~3400 transferred from PayPal to Bank Account recently for Field Day T-Shirts (offsetting some of the expenses seen in June). Much of June spending is due to 5th Grade spending down their fundraising dollars (around 6k).