

Minutes of Discovery PTO General Meeting

Date: April 7, 2025

Location: Discovery Elementary School (Room 26)

PTO Executive Board Present:

Jennifer Crossett
Dani Nazemian
Kajal Vithalani
Lauren Roenicke

Nicole Boros
Kathleen Hillenbrand
Meghan McCloskey
Alexis Solis

Kristen Goodrich
Wendy Lindell
Nicole Collins

Others Present:

Julie Morgan
Brianna Filmore
General PTO members: 3

*Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm by Jennifer Crossett. Quorum was established.
Dani Nazemian acted as Secretary.*

Introductions & Welcome (Jennifer Crossett)

Jennifer welcomed General PTO members.

PAC Meeting (Jennifer Crossett)

Jennifer attended the PAC Meeting on March 13. Under SB760, the deadline for a single gender restroom is July 1, 2026. Discovery already has such a bathroom in the health office.

Fifth Grade Promotion (Jennifer Crossett)

Jennifer is working on getting fourth grade parents to help with seating. Jennifer is working on balloon signs. Stephanie Edwards is helping get costs on lei flowers for pre-order with a small number on hand and will add an option for parents to purchase additional leis to donate on a flier.

Yearbook Coordinator (Jennifer Crossett)

Jennifer mentioned that Tina Leight-Roades will stay on last year to train new staff and noted need for new staff to support the yearbook. Katie Wade offered to potentially help. A discussion ensued, in which the idea of splitting up role to include photographers and other different roles. Nicole Collins to help create a flyer.

Fun Run (Lauren Roenicke)

Lauren highlighted total donations received: \$63,378. Lauren mentioned that remaining events are being scheduled (e.g., kickball game, foam party and silent disco).

AOG Updates (Jennifer Crossett)

Volunteers are being solicited for AOG, and sign-up genius will be distributed through room parents. Teachers are still collecting water bottles and paper towel rolls.

Fundraising Updates (Kajal Vithalani)

Kajal highlighted a \$500 donation from the Parkes Team.

Treasurer Updates (Kathleen Hillenbrand)

Kathleen mentioned that the Board has started reviewing the draft budget for next year. The Board is focusing on activities at school for everyone. Kathleen mentioned that intervention and STEAM salaries are already committed. The Board is projecting that we'll have the same amount at end of this year as last year and noted that some purchases will start over the summer. Kathleen mentioned that the Board will have further discussions around the budget and will approve next year's budget before year-end.

Open Forum

During open forum, members of the Discovery community raised the following topics:

- Newsletter in Spanish – Dani will work with Tovah Agler with aim for next newsletter to be published in English and Spanish.
- “BOGO” donations – Kathleen will liaise with any parents who would like to contribute to a pot to be used to help families in challenging economic positions.
- Streaming meeting on Zoom – The Board agreed to consider this.

Teacher Appreciation Week (Jennifer Crossett)

Jennifer highlighted Teacher Appreciation Week plans and noted that Stephanie will be coordinating selling flowers for staff.

Rad Dads (Lauren Roenicke)

Lauren mentioned that emails will be sent to Rad Dads group for help with events on campus.

Upcoming Events:

- School tour on Thursday
- Dine-Out: April 15 Dickey's BBQ

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm by Jennifer Crossett.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dani Nazemian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dani" and last name "Nazemian" clearly distinguishable. It is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dani Nazemian

Secretary