

PTO Meeting Agenda: September 20, 2018

1. Welcome and Ice breaker activity (6:00-6:10)

Thank you for coming! Please take a few post-it notes and write down your ideas, questions, suggestions for PTO this year.

2. Vote to Approve May Meeting Minutes and Today's Meeting Agenda (6:10-6:15)

May meeting minutes are available at:

<https://www.spps.org/cms/lib/MN01910242/Centricity/Domain/4154/Meeting%20Minutes%2005.17.18.pdf>

3. Meet the Groveland Specialists! (6:15-6:30)

- A. New-to-Groveland Music Teacher, Ms. Jennifer Foote-Thomas and Physical Education Teacher, Ms. Jennifer Dobson, will visit to share about their programs and answer parent questions

4. Establish Group Norms for PTO Meetings (6:30-6:35)

- A. According to our bylaws, meetings follow Democratic Rules of Order
- B. Share norms which will guide PTO meetings throughout year

5. What is Groveland PTO? (6:35-6:45)

- A. How does PTO support Groveland: Connect - Contribute - Advocate
- B. PTO sponsored events; Open positions and volunteer opportunities (Please see list on reverse)
- C. Classroom Villages information - Kathryn Wegner
- D. Gather feedback from group: What would YOU find valuable to discuss at PTO meetings this year? Why did you come to today's meeting and what would keep you coming back? How can we encourage other members of the Groveland community to participate in PTO? Please discuss in small groups and share to large group.

6. PTO Treasurer Report - Kerry Furtney, Talia Sheldon-Desjardins (6:45-6:55)

- A. Share PTO budget for 2018-19 (approved last May)

7. Fundraising Chairs Report - Heather Allison, Charlotte Hanley-Jacobson, Jen Schlueter (6:55-7:00)

- A. Overview of fundraising at Groveland
- B. Direct Drive - coming soon!

8. Principal's Report - Ms. Pedersen (7:00-7:10)

- A. Student Enrollment/New Staff
- B. Extended Day Learning (E.D.L.)
- C. Title I Information
- D. Ecolab grants

9. St. Paul Schools News (7:10-7:20)

- A. SPPS Referendum on November ballot <https://www.spps.org/referendum2018>
- B. School Board updates - Tiffany Dreher

10. Parent Comments - This is an open time to share ideas or questions. May follow up at the next meeting. (7:20-7:30)

11. Motion to Adjourn meeting, vote to adjourn meeting

Please join us for the next PTO Meeting on Monday, October 15th, 6:00-7:30

Events and Programs Sponsored by Groveland PTO

- ❖ Kindergarten/Pre-K Back-to-School Coffee Hour
- ❖ New Family/Kindergarten Pizza Party and Orientation
- ❖ Movie Nights
- ❖ Enrichments (Residencies) for All Classrooms K-5th Grade
- ❖ Author Visit
- ❖ 5th Grade Picnic
- ❖ Classroom Villages/Room Parents (Community-building events and communication network for all classrooms)
- ❖ Open Houses
- ❖ National African American Parent Involvement Day (NAAPID)
- ❖ Safety Patrol
- ❖ Artists and Writers/Science Fair
- ❖ Student Leadership Team
- ❖ Year-End All-School Picnic
- ❖ Classroom Teacher Grants
- ❖ Specialist Teacher Grants
- ❖ School Library Fund
- ❖ Groveland Garden
- ❖ Midwest Food Connection Residency

Volunteer Opportunities

- ❖ Pandamonium! Carnival committee
- ❖ Apex Fun Run volunteers
- ❖ Yearbook
- ❖ Volunteer Coordinator/Online Volunteer Sign-up
- ❖ Girls on the Run Coach
- ❖ National African American Family Involvement Day Coordinator
- ❖ Lost and Found
- ❖ Talent Show/Open Mic Night Coordinator
- ❖ Teacher Appreciation Week and Conferences Meal Planning
- ❖ Equity and Inclusion -Co-Chairs
- ❖ Groveland Tour Guide (for prospective family tours)

Please email Groveland.pto.pres@gmail.com for more information about volunteering!

Questions and suggestions are always welcome. Please contact PTO leadership--we'd love to hear from you!

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