**May PTO Meeting Minutes Notes - Wednesday, May 11th 6:30pm**
Attendance:18

| Welcome | Missy Kyrlach | mkyrlach@gmail.com | * Welcome
* PTO Meeting Sign In Sheet [CLICK HERE](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PjClBuBiClL0TjNGMpkjYT12z8K4zVOiok77ViNOJTk/edit?usp=sharing)
* Approval of Minutes
	+ March and April minutes approved, Sara Bourgois motions to approve the minutes, Antoinette Moore seconds, motion passes
* Thank you to our 2021-2022 PTO Officers - YOUR HARD WORK IS APPRECIATED!!!
	+ Missy Kyrlach, President
	+ Antoinette Moore, Vice-President
	+ Diane O’Brian, Secretary
	+ Susana Chamlee, Financial Secretary
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| Thank yous | Missy Kyrlach | mkyrlach@gmail.com | * Shrek Jr. - Thank you to Ms. Maria, Ms. Kate, Ms. Alysun, Mr. Drew and Mrs. Bonfield for their work on Shrek Jr. and to all the students who performed, also thanks to parent volunteers Alicia Richey, Diane O’Brian, Danielle Sickmiller and Missy Kyrlach.
* Thank you to all those who participated in Staff Appreciation, especially Karen Mansfield’s mother in law for the to-die-for graham cracker treats and Diane O’Brian for setting up the candy buffet for the teachers.
* Thank you to Marissa Albright for helping get the “Got Montessori?” t-shirts printed for all PRM staff members.
* Thank you to Antoinette Moore for making the buttons and getting the bags and to Tiana, Zoe and Phoebe who helped decorate them.
* Thank you to everyone who has signed up for our sign up geniuses and answered the call for help this year. No act was too small. Thank you!
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| Volunteer Needs | Antoinette Moore |  | * Field day volunteers contact Boosters- sign up genius coming asap!
	+ <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4caead22a0f94-prmfield>
* Officers for next school year: PTO Vice President (needed to support the president and come into the role of president the following year), ILT parent representative, LSDMC Parent representative - Voting taking place at the end of tonight’s meeting
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| **Reports**  |  |  |  |
| Principal | Amber Simpson | simpsoa@cpsboe.k12.oh.us | * Tina Stegman is giving tonight’s report in Ms. Simpson’s absence.
* First and foremost thanks to Missy for all her hard work this year and a warm welcome with open arms to Antoinette for next year!
* May - Finishing up testing… Everyone is happy about that! The testing climate was set appropriately by staff and testing was successful.
* Shrek Jr.- kudos to all students who participated and had a role; every child who worked on making the show a reality felt pride about the performance.
* Teaching staff for next year is 95% filled, there is a new opening in 6-9, other openings have been filled previously.
* A 9-12 certified Montessori teacher has been hired! Ms. Lisa Blackford comes with experience and is excited to not only teach our students but also to work with our staff. Amber Neff coming back- welcome Amber! And Megan Sheenshang is another new hire with behavior management experience and math expertise.
* Chasity Gipson has been hired as our new kindergarten teacher!
* Finished student placements for next school year - SO much time and energy goes into seeking the best placement for each individual child, please support your students with encouragement.
* Transition Day is THIS Friday - students who are transitioning to a new classroom will visit their new communities for about an hour.
* It is now (again) time to start advocating to the school board about our space issues at PRM, even with construction this is only going to “right-size” our building, it will not solve our space issues. Unified messages to the new superintendent could be helpful at this time as well.
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| CLC | Monique Johnson | johnmon@cpsboe.k12.oh.us  | * A **Big** **Round of Applause** goes out to Ms. Maria, Ms. Kate, and all the people who helped bring Shrek Jr. to life. The performance was amazing and I know all the students, families, and community members truly enjoyed it. Kudos!
* **Staff Appreciation Week**- On May 2nd-6th, all of our staff here at PRM were showered with so many gifts, cards, flowers, food, snacks, and swag. The staff felt all of the love that was given to them during this fantastic week. Thank you PTO for helping to make another awesome Staff Appreciation Week a success.
* **Field Day**- On Tuesday, May 24, 2022, we are having our Annual Field Day for all students. This day will be filled with various activities for all students. We are asking that you provide your child with additional clothing because they will get wet! Students can be out of uniform, but all clothing needs to be appropriate. Students need to let their teachers know if they need a packed lunch because the cafeteria needs to place lunch orders. Field day will take place here on school grounds.
* The **6th-grade Recognition Ceremony** will be on Wednesday, May 25th at 6pm. You will start receiving additional information so please be on the lookout for more updates. If you have any questions, feel free to contact your child’s homeroom teacher or our Resource Coordinator- Ms. Monique Johnson. (Event will hopefully be held outdoors but still waiting on chair approval- otherwise it will be in the gym).
* **Summer Scholars** is bigger and better this year and we are so excited. The program runs from June 1-28, 2022 from 7:45-4 pm for the full program and 7:45-12:30 pm for the half-day academic program. If you have any questions or need additional information feel free to contact the school office. CRC, Children’s Theater & Drake Planetarium will be partners.
* **Principal’s Day and Administrator’s Day** - we pulled off lovely surprises for our amazing leaders- Ms. Gina, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Simpson, Ms. Stegman
* **Nurse’s Day** - Nurse Tara was appreciated and pleasantly surprised
* **Thank you** for all the support and encouragement that the CLC office received this year. We greatly appreciate everything that you have done for the office, for me, and for PRM. Thanks again and have a great summer!
* Ms. Lewis, from the front office, is moving to Withrow next year :(
* Ms. Thea, our cafeteria manager, is retiring after 30 years; she will work through the end of Summer Scholars :(
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| Staff 3-6 | Kristy Miller | millekr@cpsboe.k12.oh.us | * It is hard to believe that we are into May.
* Some classrooms still await butterflies to emerge from their chrysalis.
* Rising 1st graders will participate in transition day, along with the other groups transitioning to a new level next year. Your student will get to visit their new classroom community for next year on Friday, May 13.
* On May 17th, kindergarten classes will take a field trip to the zoo to see the animals of various continents. This will tie in to our geography studies.
* Field Day will be on Tuesday, May 24th- bring a change of clothes!
* Various communities will engage in their own end of the year celebrations. Your classroom teacher will communicate with you about those.
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| Staff 6-9 | Chavonne Taylor | taylcha@cpsboe.k127.oh.us | * Thank you PTO for the yummy Taco lunch on conference day.
* Many of our 6-9 classrooms acquired caterpillars which have formed into chrysalis and for many classrooms have now emerged as butterflies. The kids were extremely excited to follow the different stages of the butterfly.
* We are excited to welcome our current k’s (rising 1st graders) and to send our 3rd graders off on transition day on Friday, May 13th.
* Our final 6-9 field trip is May 25th to the Zoo. \*Some 6-9 classes are having individual class field trips as well, please look for individual teacher communication on these.
* Reminders: Some classrooms are hot while others are freezing, be sure to dress in school appropriate layers (i.e. jacket or sweatshirt over a t-shirt)
* Water bottles: Please send your kids to school with water bottles as the weather outside starts to heat up.
* May marks the beginning of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage month. This is a great time to pay tribute to Asian and Pacific Islanders who have enriched America’s history and are instrumental in its success
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| Staff 9-12 | Lauren Anderson | rutheml@cpsboe.k12.oh.us | * 9-12 is finishing all testing!
* 3 new 9-12 teachers will be joining our teaching team- the 3 teachers leaving will be missed and leave big shoes to fill, but we are also excited about the future (Goodbye to Ms. Hauser, Ms. Varshneya, and Ms. James)
* Students who performed in Shrek Jr. benefited from community and hard work and students are already talking about auditioning for next year!
* The 6th grade Camp Kern field trip was a huge success!
* We are thinking that the trip might be moved to the fall next school year, to help build community earlier in the school year
	+ 4th/5th will be included in day field trips next year as well
* Transition Day excitement has already started- students are anxious to learn which kids will be joining their classroom communities
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| Staff Specialists | Kate McGreevy | mcgreek@cpsboe.k12.oh.us | * No report given
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| PTO Financial Secretary | Susana Chamlee | susana.chamlee@huntington.com | * Proposed Budget presented, voting will take place after reports.
	+ Budget is approved unanimously by vote
* PTO would love to bring back some favorite events next year, if you are interested in championing an event speak up :)
* Back to School Bash is the combination of ice cream social, tie-dye party, open house, school supplies drop off, etc.
* Spring Dance for All will be the tradition going forward which will be the combination of the Mother Son event and the Father Daughter Dance - it was a HUGE success this year!
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| Foundation | Meredith Haluga(treasurer) |  | * Flower fundraiser, a success thanks to Tami Kauffman and Lindsey Felder
* Thanks to Nicole Webb, Beth Sullivan, and Jessica who did an awesome job with the virtual silent auction, and Ally Richer for help with classroom baskets and projects
* Marissa Albright, a huge thank you for writing so many cell tower grants!
	+ Need a new parent volunteer who is willing to email teachers and write applications to use the cell tower funds for field trips next year.
* Business sponsors- Blenk Realty (Erin Fay) and Hyde Park Pediatric Dentist (Katie Blomer)- thanks to their continued support
* School supply kits are ready to purchase for next school year – these will officially kick off in May. More info to come after transition day, this Friday.
* Flamingos will be back this summer! Stay tuned.
* Thanks to Marianne Quellhorst for all her grant writing work over her tenure at PRM, she will be very greatly missed.
* PR Margs… (reimagined Margaritas & Moms) – on May 13th at Community Happens Here (also Sara’s birthday) All are welcome, buy tickets now!
* Foundation initiatives for the next two school years will be discussed at the two remaining meetings of the school year.
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| LSDMC | Jen JarmanBarbara WallinJason Chamlee | jarman.jen@gmail.com​​beeneWallin@pm.mejasonchamlee@hotmail.com | * Officially approved the 2022-2023 PRM Building budget.
* Golf Manor is celebrating their 70th year and would like to partner with PRM in the fall at their celebration - Jen Jarman has details.
* Supporting the work to achieve official Montessori curriculum certification.
* Update on Summer Scholars and additional community partners who are providing enrichment activities to PRM students.
* Received an updated enrollment report that PRM now exceeds pre-COVID enrollment numbers- the time is NOW to start advocating for our needs again to the district, need creative ideas.
* Continue to engage in the PRM Pedestrian/Traffic Safety conversation.
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| ILT | Marissa RowleyBeth VanWassenhove | marissa.rowley@gmail.comelizabeth.vanwassenhove@gmail.com  | * Two ILT parent representatives are needed for next school year- one will serve a one year term and the other a two year term.
* ILT voted on distributing the Cell Tower Funds for Field Trips for each level- every grade level was given an amount and prioritized the trips they wanted to fund. A combination of admissions and busing costs were covered.
* ILT went through the PBIS revisions and approved them for the coming year. The bulk of the edits made were removing the specific policies for remote learning which are no longer needed.
* Our amazing OT Sharon Plummer is organizing efforts to purchase a “Sensory Path”- it is a piece of large vinyl that stays in place on the floor with prompts along the path with specific individual activities for the students to do. There was a private donor who donated money, and the Foundation is also being asked to help fund the pathway. The hope is that there could be one on the second floor for 6-9 students and a second one on the first floor for 3-6 students. Foundation will vote on this request at the next meeting, next Wednesday, May 18th.
* There is a standard Montessori Lesson Plan that all teachers are using, and professional development around ensuring that everyone is implementing the Montessori Curriculum.
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| Boosters | Allie GoodmanLisa Frentzel | algoodman3@aol.com polisa15@yahoo.com | * PRM Roadrunner Athletic Spirit Wear Fundraiser Sale happening online at <https://www.customdepotusa.com/Athletics_c_70.html> Orders will be accepted now through Friday, May 13th.
* Field Day volunteers needed on Tuesday, May 24th. During the entire school day as well as before and after. Various time slots are available, please consider helping for at least a portion of the day. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4caead22a0f94-prmfield>
* Coffee Cup is sponsoring the water balloons in partnership with Boosters, great process for students to think through and problem solve
* Registration for fall sports begins later this month! Soccer for 1st thru 6th grade girls and boys and volleyball for 3rd thru 6th grade girls (as well as up to 2 boys per team).
* Registration moving to Team Snap!
* Interested in Boosters? Want to support PRM athletics? Consider being a part of the team. Immediate need… Baseball Coordinator for 2023!
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| **Traffic and Safety Committee** | Lindsey Felder | lindseycolatrella@gmail.com  | * Contact Lindsey Felder if you want to help on the committee to get a pedestrian scramble lindseycolatrella@gmail.com
* The Traffic and Safety Committee has met a number of times and many issues have been discussed, including the pedestrian scramble.
* Board Members Mary Wineburg and Kareem Moffit visited PRM and admitted to recognizing our needs and are willing to partner with us in our advocating to the school board and the city.
* City added school zones signs on Lester last year
* They also increased the signal length for walking on Montgomery Road by 2 seconds so you have more time to get across.
* The committee is still looking to have proposed changes approved by the start of school in August, including…
	+ Pedestrian scramble- crossing in any direction and stopping traffic in all directions (and bonus, Ms. Ellen can cover all crossing)
	+ School zone signs sit at the PRM driveways and need to be pushed back further down Montgomery Road to warn approaching drivers
	+ School zones signs should be lit all day, because we are directly on the road and students are outside the building working
	+ Teachers no longer working as “traffic cops” at drop off and pick up- we feel the district should provide more support in this area so we don’t have staff unsafely members in this role
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| **Planning and Upcoming Events** | Missy Kyrlach | mkyrlach@gmail.com | * Don’t forget to check out **Foundation** a group that works to fundraise money for PRM, they meet the third Wednesday of the month
* Donate any gently used books to Mr. David for the library - [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/DYDG2II785NM?fbclid=IwAR0gVhGhKiADu5wZwuvpt7_PR_Bx5y1R__HgfzpOqINFfffTLZg6VLsNvBo)
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| **Voting** | Antoinette Moore |  | * Use your phone or computer to vote! [https://prmrocks.org/mayvote](https://prmrocks.org/mayvote/)
* Sara Bourgeois makes a motion to approve the PTO slate, Antoniette Moore seconds the motion, motion approved by unanimous approval
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| **Updates** |  |  | * Girl Scout Day Camp registration at French Park is open for ALL girls Kindergarten and up. Contact Diane O’Brian (dianeobrian@gmail.com).
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| **Reminders and Questions**  | Missy Kyrlach | mkyrlach@gmail.com | * Website Reminders: Email updates, subscribe to calendar (all meetings and links), check for updates, PRM School Rocker

Sign up to receive emails: <https://prmrocks.org/emailupdates/>* Questions?
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