



September 16, 2025 7:00 PM

Meeting Agenda and Notes

Our goal is to promote the mission of the school through fundraising and fellowship.

1. Call to order (Lauren) **7:05 PM**
2. Call for Prayer Intentions and Opening prayer (Mrs. VanDusen) **Complete**
3. Introductions (Lauren) **Complete**
4. Principal's Report (Mrs. VanDusen) **Still in the fundraising cycle for furniture, within this year we are looking to replace 4th and 5th and some of the pre-school and the office would love to replace the flooring so that it is easier to clean up the school messes. Looking forward to a great year.**
5. Vice President Report (Dorothy) **Fulfilled a large first of year order for our teachers for the paper products, will continue that monthly for the remainder of the year, provided lunch for the staff, got the teachers new shirts for this year and we added in the lunch staff as well. Provided September birthday cards and a small gift**
6. Treasurer's Report (Rachel) **Rachel provided some updates on expenses thus far this year, pre-school picnic came in under budget, Academy magnets were ordered, 4th of July Parade came in order budget as well as the welcome back picnic. Rachel to send out reminders to all chairs to submit reimbursements within 7 days of the event.**
- ★ **Proposed Budget Update Vote Kerry made a motion to approve moving budget dollars from furniture Asia seconded, motion approved. Kristen O'Neill made a motion to approve late expense reports from 2025-2026 school year events for \$941.08, Cindy O'Brien seconded, motion approved by vote.**
7. Event Committee Reports (President)
 - **4th of July Parade (Lauren Bukowski) – Purchased a new banner for the parade. It was a lower attended event by GA families than last year (had about a dozen families), and came in under budget.**
 - **UWM Baseball Night (Cristin Joy) – Made \$230, less attendance this year.**
 - **Back to school Picnic (Renee Boyd/Erin Camilleri) - 600+ people in attendance this year. We went through substantially less food and were able to donate non-parishables to the pre-school picnic, the snacks got donated to the school and drinks for Bingo. Came in under budget.**
 - **Preschool & Junior Kindergarten Picnic (Ann Haase/Brynn Wellman) - New event for this year. Have feedback from teachers on how everything went. Pizza was served for dinner and kept in budget, had a good turnout (over 250 people). A good majority of the kids came. We might need to adjust our budget since we benefited from the donation from the K-8 picnic. Some teachers had games in their classrooms which kept families in some rooms longer. May set up tables next year. Will continue to coordinate.**
 - **1st Day Doughnuts (Jenny DeCoster) – Under budget, all went well. Served 10 dozen doughnuts, 60 doughnut holes, and 6 boxes of coffee over the 2 days, and the minimal leftovers were put in the office.**
 - **Cornhole (9/11) (Larry Bukowski/Tom Joy) – Had 36 players, each playing 6 games. Top 3 winners received gift cards.. Profited \$678 this year, which is less than last year but that was because we did not sell raffle tickets ahead of time at Mass. Tickets were sold at the event, and therefore the winner was present to win the \$350 raffle corn hole boards, which built up excitement. All had a good time.**

- **Bagels before the Bell (9/18) (Tanya Gasso/Emily Hoang)** - 2nd year, we did make a change to one day this year in lieu of having it spread over 2 days. Have 80 spots filled.
 - **Fall Family Bingo (9/25) (Rhonda Brewer/Sheila Delo)** - Chef Rhonda wanted to ask everyone's opinion on food for the event - Pizza or Chips/Salsa/Pretzels. Group gave feedback for pizza. We probably won't make money again as we needed to replenish prizes. 180 attendees signed up. Registration is closed.
 - **Jog-a-Thon (10/2) (Asia Viers/Cindy O'Brien)** - Currently at \$21,900 with 242 students registered, 186 kids have donations. If every kid makes it to superstar we would raise over \$42K. 19 days until donations turned off. 17 sponsors (about 6 less and \$800 less from last year). Those who sign up and send to 5 family members get a keychain - new this year!
 - **Trunk or Treat (10/23) (Heather Hoff/Lena Hermiz/Rachael Miller)** - Same time frame 6-7:30. Looking for everyone to sign up to host a trunk. Sign up will be released soon.
 - **All Saints Day party (11/1) (Dorothy Ursaki/Lauren Bukowski)** – Will be held on Sunday after the 11 AM mass. Planning is just starting, sign up should be coming out soon. Kids get to dress as their favorite saint. Go into the gym and play games, prizes and food. Dorothy reminded everyone to please sign up so we have an accurate head count - space is limited! If you are unable to make it, please delete your sign up so others can come. 7th graders are invited to present living saints as part of their class project, 7th grade parents will be able to sign up first.
 - **All School Skate Party (TBD) (Krystle Landington/Sandi Matti)** Unfortunately the 11/13 date is already booked, brought up moving to spring. No feedback and will set a new date for the spring. Sandi Matti was added as the co-chair.
 - **Restaurant Fundraiser (Karen Hathaway)** – One is planned for early October, be on the look out. Please share any restaurants that would host a fundraiser.
 - **Used Uniform (Nicole Burley)** – Hosted sale at back to school picnic. If you need uniforms feel free to visit the office so you can access the used uniform closet. Also, please bring your uniforms that your students have outgrown to donate to the office.
 - **Spirit Wear (Maryann Weitzel)** - No report, GAP will follow up
 - **RaiseRight (Tonya Manion/Rossana Barraco)** - earned \$2,634 so far this year.
 - **1st Day School Supplies (Christie Cooke/Kris Dunn)** – Had approximately 100 families order supplies last year for this year. They ship to home and is a convenience resource. Kris Dunn will volunteer/shadow to help Christie next year.
8. **Auction (Dorothy Ursaki/Angelina Villerot)** – This year's theme is "Give and Groove", venue is booked, DJ is booked, the help needed next is the first auction planning meeting is 9/23 at 7 PM. There are open volunteer spots and those will start very soon. Dorothy shared some of the open positions. Looking for donations (like a rental property, sporting tickets etc.) please think about your resources and what you have and share with Dorothy and we will use that. Mrs. VanDusen indicated that the Bogenschutz family may be able to help with a video for advertising.
9. **New business (President)**
- ★ Open chair/shadow positions –
 - Mom/Son Event (Natasha Dalio), Mom 2 Mom Sale (Susan Rohles) (Shadow Needed), Field Day (Reeva Jajou). All chairs and shadows earn their 10 volunteer hours for the year.
 - ★ Potential New GAP Event/Chair Position: Locker Decoration for Birthdays. Emily Hoang and Heather Gappi volunteered to chair this new event.

★ Bylaw updates (NJHS Volunteer Hours, Reimbursement Guidelines, Records for additional fundraising for GAP events) **Cristen Joy made a motion to approve bylaw changes, Kristen O'Neill seconded the motion, motion passed.**

★ SAC Submission Items:

- Gear fundraising efforts towards installing AC in Common Spaces, Gym, & Cafeteria **Due to the age of the building, and to be in compliance with new codes, GAP would unfortunately not be able to support this upgrade - would need assistance from the AOD. However, Brynn made a suggestion to upgrade ceiling fans, Mrs. VanDusen and Mr. Karol did talk about adding air to the cafeteria.**
- Food Safety and Handling **Lauren shared standards checked, and there are no requirements for volunteers with the State. GAP will required all volunteers to wear gloves while preparing and serving food, but unfortunately, catering all events would significantly increase the cost of all events. GAP and the volunteers are making the most with what they have.**

10. Open Forum **Question about school year start date and the AOD adding 6 more days to our calendar. (currently at 168, public are 180).**

Emily and Heather Gappi volunteered to decorate lockers, summer bdays will need to be addressed.

Question where we can decals for vehicles, where can we get them. Follow up with Julie Kane

11. Adjournment **8:01 PM**

Attendees:

Jason Roche
Donna Widmen
Julie Cross
Ann Haase
Cindy O'Brien
Asia Viers
Lisa Martell
Veronica Reilly
Madeline Nalli
Rachael Miller
Shayna Paric
Jennifer Bubby
Bianca Vidican
Cristin Joy
Emily Hoang
Reeva Jajou
Candice Beckwith
Meg Zurbo
Brynn Wellman
Kim Blauvelt

Nicole Kanona
Elizabeth Hill
Molly Van Dusen
Heather Gappi
Renee Boyd
Rita Haddad
Jenny Erdmann
Sheila Delo
Olivia Kadoc
Ann Bush
Vanessa Seman
Kerry Johnson
Patrick Megally
Dorothy Ursaki
Kristine Dunn
Lauren Bukowski
Cheryl McClintock-Belbot
Christie Cook
Tanya Manion
Lena Hermiz

Krystle Landingin
Susan Rohles
Pam Hurst
Courtney Kreiner
Kristen O'Neill

Deana Vandervliet
Kelly Rock
Lea Wojciechowski Ross
Rachel McCabe

Save the Date: November 18, 2026 7:00 PM next GAP meeting (GA Cafeteria)