



SEPTEMBER 2026 PTO MEETING AGENDA

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Middle School

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 23, 2026, at 7:30pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3727851356?pwd=eEFqTnUxQUJmV2dsQzVRbE9MVVZYZz09>

Meeting ID: 372 785 1356

Passcode: 4464042

Call to Order

Called to Order by Clara Conklin at 7:33pm
Board Member Introductions - Eileen Azzara, Clara Bell Conklin, Leah Dechavanne, Lauren Gasparino, Carrie Maisano, Jenn Trudo, Jessica Yauger

Principals' Report

SSES - Michelle Tarsi

- Great start to the year with Popsicles with the Principal, Meet the Teachers and Back to School night.
- So many activities are underway including the start of the Garden Club, Student Senate, Dolphin Singers and the kick off of SPLASH Spirit week, which has daily challenges for students and families.
- Buss Buddies has started as well as a new Lunch Buddy program.
- Shelf Elf training has begun
- The first Outdoor Classroom meeting is next month
- Unified Sports will do a torch run at SSES
- Monday 9/28 is picture day

HKMS -Dr. Steven Clapp

- Great start to school including Back to School Night Open House
- Only Fundraiser for the year has been kicked off. Hoping to raise \$6000 to fund a broadcast/recording studio as well as a fitness center. There are participation competitions between homerooms and grades. 6th Grade class is currently leading.

Co-Presidents' Reports

SSES

Back to School Night

Room Parents - Submissions have closed and room parents will be notified 9/24.
- The first meeting will be next week.

Upcoming Events - Picture day 9/28

- Boost Fundraiser and Run will be 10/1-10/14
- Family Photo fundraiser will occur on 9/26 & 10/17. There still are a few spaces.
- Chipotle Give Back night for Oct 14, 4-8PM in BOTH locations, Monroe and Fairfield
- Bookfair will run week of 10-19, including an After-Dark night for evening

	shopping - Halloween Parade - Scheduled 10/30 - Times TBD - Spiritware Shop closes 9/28 - Grade level shirt ordering closes 9/30 - First School Store is 10-29
	Other Items - There was a call for public feedback about proposed timing of future Open PTO Meetings am/pm split - SEPTA - Jessica DePietro spoke about upcoming SEPTA events open to all students. - Crafting event at TEACH - Bricks & Minifigs will host an event on 11/14 - Burn Bootcamp will host a family workout class in January.
HKMS	Back to School Night - Went well
	Monthly Principal Coffees - First meeting of the year is 10/2 at 9:30am. Public comment was raised that it conflicts with a SEPTA meeting. SEPTA is aware and will coordinate future dates to avoid conflicts.
	Upcoming Events - JBHS invites all parents to a talk and discussion about balancing screentime for all students. The event will be on 10/8 at the Redding Roadhouse. At 6:30 there will be a general PTO meeting followed by the screentime talk given by Liz Jorgenson.
	Other Items
Membership Report - 582 total members - 21 faculty; 66 family memberships.	
Treasurer & Fundraising Report - \$100 Grant timeline for faculty PTO members has changed. Dates are now 11/20, 1/29 and 5/31 - \$1000 per grade level enrichment grant reimbursement times have changed. All forms and receipts submitted before the 15th of a given month will be reimbursed in that month. Submissions received after the 15th will be reimbursed the following month. - Bookfair will begin 10/19 - Look in next SSES Scoup and in room parent communication for Volunteer sign-ups. - After-Dark at the Bookfair will be 10/20. There will be raffles and entertainment. - Bookfair funds from last year covered this year's media center purchases.	
Public Comment - No Public Comment	
Adjourn -Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 pm	

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