

**Buckalew Elementary PTO Meeting**  
**October 13, 2023**

- I. Welcome** – Introduction of speakers: Chris McCord and Lisa Garrison
- II. CISD Bond Presentation**

Start: 11:15

- \*Review of previous tax rates within CISD and compared to comparable districts
- \*Current bond Proposition A will increase taxes by \$0.02 from approximately \$0.96 regardless of which combination of the other propositions pass

Overview of Propositions

**Proposition A:**

CISD:

8 New Schools

3 Additions

5 Major Renovations

2 Master Plans

Infrastructure

Safety

Land

Transportation

Technology infrastructure

TWHS Feeder Specific:

\*The Woodlands Feeder Elementary (new school)

\*McCullough Junior High addition

\*The Woodlands High School renovation

\*Infrastructure to physical buildings of Buckalew, Bush, Deretchin, Galatas, Glen Loch, Mitchell, Powell, TWHS 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Campus, Coulson Tough, and Wilkerson

\*Safety and Technology Infrastructure for all campuses

\*New buses and transportation improvement

**Proposition B:**

Technology Devices

-all campuses in CISD will receive updates to their technology devices

**Proposition C:**

CISD:

16 PE Classrooms/Elementary Gyms

CTE – Ag Barns

TWHS Feeder Specific:

\*PE Classrooms/Elementary Gyms for Buckalew, Bush, Galatas, and Glen Loch

\*CTE-Ag Barn at Budde (serves TWHS and TWCP)

**Proposition D:**

Outdoor pool addition and renovation of Natatorium (serves all of CISD)

End: 12:20

**12:24 PM Call to Order**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Sarah Bartnick

Second: Brooke Roberts

Passed unanimously

**IV. Officer's Reports – PTO Officers**

**a. Treasurer – Carrie Foster**

i. Monthly Financial Report

1. Explanation of how to read financial report
2. 8% of fundraising completed – on pace
3. 12-13% of revenue budget completed
4. We paid for new security – 2-way radios and new security systems
5. Negative net income is okay – normal for where we are in the year

**b. VP Fundraising – Catherine Boeger**

i. Boosterthon

1. Big fall fundraiser – major income for our school
2. Kicks off Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – donations open a week prior
3. Funds campus improvements/replacements (potentially water fillers, technology, etc.)
4. Sign up genius will be sent for both volunteering and watching fun run on Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

ii. Spirit Wear – Audrey Innerst

1. Second sale is over – takes about 6 weeks to get everything from sale to delivery. Estimated delivery is end of October/beginning of November – will come before Boosterthon (delivered home in backpacks)

2. Looking for a new Spirit Wear head (2 people is best) to take over starting in January and into next school year

**c. VP Communications – Felisha Hennessey**

- i. PTO Website buckalewbearspto.com
  1. Thanks to Amanda Lee redesigning the website
  2. PTO calendar located there and stays updated
- ii. Directories
  1. Will be distributed by the end of the month in backpacks

**d. VP Parent Involvement – Sarah Bartnick**

- i. Spirit Nights
  1. Marco’s pizza in November – 1<sup>st</sup> grade
  2. Support small businesses Christmas shopping day pending

**V. Upcoming Dates**

- a. October 16-27: Pajama Drive
- b. October 27: Storybook Parade
- c. November 1: Boosterthon Kickoff

**Next PTO Meeting: November 3 @ 11:30**

**Meeting Adjourned: 12:42**

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**Upcoming Meeting Dates**

November 3  
December 1  
January 5  
February 2  
March 1  
April 5  
May 3

**Attendees:**

1. Janelle Kemp
2. Elizabeth Kutka
3. Brooke Roberts
4. Carrie Foster
5. Sarah Bartnick
6. Felisha Hennessey
7. Michelle Griffin
8. Stephen Griffin
9. Vasiliki Christaki
10. Manisha Wolon

11. James Wolon
12. Audrey Innerst
13. Alicia Yarrish
14. Amanda Lee
15. Katie Kmiecik
16. Jill Rider
17. Stacy Butterfield
18. Charita Ussery
19. Anna Russell
20. Rachel Johnson
21. Lauren Cavaiuolo
22. Kristen Dvorsky
23. Christine Schaible
24. Emily Valora
25. Rachel Simpson
26. Wendy Cook
27. Hiba (Karam) Aboulhosn
28. Ashley Heinen
29. Bridgette Blevins
30. Katie Bonilla
31. Myranda Wright