



**Galatas Elementary PTO, General Meeting  
February 11, 2025 at 10 AM**

**Attendees:** Carrie Cappabainca, Katie Kegley, Katie Leicht, Denae Wilker, Terri Singer, Rena Taylor, Marcy Marcum, Catharine Lyons, Jennifer Daley, Megan Anzaldua, Judy Michelson, Sabre Gaffikin, Gabby Willmore, Karla Letness, Juli Mills, Dawn Wright, Lindsay Guier, Natalie Weber, Yi Burnley, Christy Scharf, Jordan Daniel.

**Megan Anzaldua, President, called meeting to order at 10:04 AM. Second: Katie Kegley.**

- **President's Report: Megan Anzaldua**
  - Thank you!
    - Anne Rodriguez- Newcomer Coffee
    - Judy Michelson + Judges, Set Up & Clean Up - Science Fair
    - Springetti Team - thank you for stepping up
    - Room Parents + Rachel Harter
    - Lindsay Guier, Joy Dernick, Victoria Urdaneta, Anne Rodriguez, Robyn Hinjosa, Rena Taylor - Teacher Luncheon
    - Gabby Willmore - Greyhound Gab
    - Jan Cornelius - Spirit Nights
    - Sarah Carter - Lost & Found
  - PTO pays for all the field trips - last week 4th graders went to Sam Houston Museum they get to go on charter buses
  
- **Principal's Report: Mrs. Wilker**
  - Thank you
    - Want to reiterate all the thank yous Megan Anzaldua shared, thank you!
  - Coming Up:
    - Black History Month
    - Glowing Greyhounds
    - March - Field Day - volunteer opportunities coming soon
    - Spring Individual and Class Pictures in the first part of March
    - Spring Break March 10-14th

- **Treasurer's Report: Terri Singer**

- Reminders: Making Purchases? Get approval before you purchase, submit reimbursement requests after purchase and include the receipt + approval email. We do NOT reimburse for sales tax.
- January Financials
  - Income: BoxTops, Quarterly Donation from Mouse Detectives, Several Spirit Days and Nights - couple from December sent those in: Dave & Busters and Learning Express, Corporate Matching, Corporate Sponsor, 5 New Memberships, Yard Sign
  - Expenses: Usual admin type expenses (stamps, printer, paypal fees, state sales tax), 4th Grade Field Trip (admission and charter buses), Springetti (Raffle, Decor, Deposits for entertainment, springetti store, ticketing supplies), February Teacher Luncheon, Purchase bulk order supplies (school supplies), Yearbook
  - Statement of Activity: summary of everything that has occurred income/expense for the year

- **Committee Reports**

- **Springetti - Sabre Gaffikin**

- Christy Scharf - Springetti Chair
- March 28th @ 5-8 PM
- Volunteer Opportunities still available and more to come
- Change:
  - 5PM start for Everyone
  - 4:30 PM - Life Skills Families Only for 1 hour (Kinder Hard Top) - Character Meet & Greets, Bounce House, Etc.
    - QUESTION: Carrie Cappiabianca: What time is it, is it 1 hour?  
Yes, 4:30 - 5:30 PM
  - No Grade Level Fundraising only Grade Level Baskets
    - QUESTION: Jordan Daniel: No more riding the bull? No
- Donations for Adult Raffles? Contact Judy Michelson
- Needs:
  - Carnival Games - need a few more people, hopeful to add a few more new games in
  - Entertainment Assistant needed

- Grade Level Art Projects - Supplies have been gathered and ready to go, enjoy working with the kids? This is an opportunity for you!
  - Karla Letness: Can you give an example of the art project? Yes, every grade creates a piece of collaborative art, we will need someone to help assist their projects.
    - Kindergarten - Thumbprint People
    - 1st - Tree Leaves,
    - 2nd - Paint heart mural
    - 3rd - Love Bugs Butterflies
    - 4th - Shrinky Dink Blown Glass Look
    - Life Skills - Happy Suns
- Corporate Sponsorships - please let Katie Kegley know
- T-shirts to the whole campus, different color with the same design for the volunteers during the event (heathered teal for volunteers)
- New Things we are excited about:
  - Huge Inflatable with 4 different zones, train coming back, gaming truck, rock wall, more fun to come!
- Tickets - On sale starting Tuesday, February 18 - March 7th (early bird pricing) admission \$15 age 3+, Raffle Tickets with bonus. After the 7th, \$20 admission, no bonus tickets
  - All online sales will close on the 20th
  - Marcy Marcum QUESTION: VIP Option? No, Going to bring back levels, Grand Champion, Grand Champion Reserve etc:
    - \$25 Blinky Rings, \$100 Rodeo Inspired Keychain, \$250 Label Tickets for You, \$500+ to be shared soon!
  - Auction Prize Winners 7-8PM
  - Karla Letness QUESTION: How many tickets should we buy? There will be a menu” to help provide guidance.
- Grade Level Basket Collection - Judy Michelson
  - Starting Monday, February 24 - 28th collecting the grade level baskets - they are each assigned a theme
  - Box at the beginning of each hallway, also a front porch drop off option

- Lindsay Guier, QUESTION: Will there be information sent out through the room parents? Yes
    - Marcy Marcum, COMMENT: Ticket sales - lots do not read email, can you print a half page in the PAWS binders with the QR code to scan purchase? Yes
  - **Nominations - Sabre Gaffikin**
    - Head of Nominating Committee
    - Lots of Open Executive Board Positions
      - Email to [Parliamentarian@galataspto.com](mailto:Parliamentarian@galataspto.com) to nominate someone or self nominations
    - Nominating Period - will start accepting nominations on February 25th - March 25th
    - Slate to be presented in April
- **New Business**
  - Motion for us to vote to move social media, newsletter, and website into 1 exec position, Second: Karla Letness.
    - Passed
  - Next meeting to vot Sabre Gaffikin as VP Fundraising for the remainder of this year
  - Terri Singer, COMMENT - Rezoning passed, ~ 4-5 neighborhoods you should have received an email + letter in the mail. Transfer application information also in there. There is a deadline to apply for the transfer - March 7th.
  - Yearbook - Top Dog Ad Deadline: February 28th.

**Meeting adjourned by Megan Anzaldua at 10:57 AM. Second: Katie Leicht.**

- **Upcoming Events**
  - **February**
    - 14 - No School
    - 17 - No School - Presidents Day
    - 25 - 2nd Grade Program @ 6:00 PM
    - 28 - Go Texan Day
  - **March**
    - 4 - PTO Meeting @ 10 AM