

Helen Keller PTO Meeting Agenda

September 24, 2026 @ 9am

Rana, Summer, Brenda, Aleece, Jen, Mrs. Loftus, Mrs. Zwartz, Mr. Weinberg, Jenni, Ronetta

Upcoming meeting dates:

Oct 22 @2:45pm, Nov 19, Jan 14, Feb 11, March 11, April 8, May 13

Principal's Report:

Construction- rain setbacks, needs to be dry to put down paving, estimated Oct 14 for completion

- Any Updates on Monitors for foyer/commons? **Not yet- checking on this**

-SpiritWear – 1st place spiritwear is doing our Keller Spiritwear and we get quarterly payouts from them with weekly notifications of what our sales are. This is open year round. **Spiritwear sales shared with teachers and staff for ordering**

-Grade level shirts through Lighthouse printing in process along with 5th grade graduation shirts- may need help sorting (estimated to owe \$2,000 and collected \$1136- PTO buying K and 5th grade shirts)

- estimated to make \$4400 on Hot Lunch Trimester 1

Trunk or Treat Oct 23rd 4:30-6pm-

- Candy Collections to start Monday Oct 5th- same as last year, will have baskets in office per grade level and grade with highest candy count **wins pajama day on Monday Oct 26 (K-2nd and 3rd-5th)**
- **Raffle for those who register by certain dates- 2 cut offs (2 tickets by first end date and 1 ticket for second date tbd)**
- Sign Up Genius for Trunks and a few volunteers Sign Up open Oct 5th (Who from PTO can be there?)
- High School Volunteers for games: How many? **Need 8 high school volunteers for games and raffle/guess how many collection**
- Need to communicate to Ivy League to have pickup at side doors that evening after 3:30pm **(will put out sign)**
- Want to get some teacher involvement : Grade levels combine to do a few trunks if possible- candy being donated **Mrs. Zwartz and Mrs. Loftus are working with staff to get involvement**
- New ideas for food trucks- would like several (Kona Ice, Ice Ice Baby, Lemonade Truck) **Brenda is going to reach out to Chick Fil A and a possible drink truck (coffee/lemonade, etc) and we may still sell water depending on drinks offered by vendors; Rana reaching out to a contact she has for a possible truck as well**
- Need to ensure we have access for bathrooms in school for event **yes- will have a door open for bathrooms depending on whether we set up in parking lot or new bus lane**

Teacher Holiday Gifts:

- Feedback from staff on reimbursement vs. Amazon Wishlist from Ms. Zwartz and Ms. Loftus
- **Staff is very appreciative of anything the PTO does. Consensus is reimbursement via receipts from already purchased items is preferred due to expenses already happening before school year. Working with Jenni to set all details of receipt collection/who is eligible; PTO will finalize an amount based on current finances with Monitor costs in mind.**

Treat Day Sorting:

- Which treat days do we need Denise to help sort vs. not? **Only day we do not need help is on donut day. Brenda can sort donut day due to the individual packaging**

No Cost Fundraisers:

September 23 @ Chipotle **profiting ~ \$250**

Donut truck setup for Oct 7th- **Want to setup at west end of the bus lane in front of the new dumpster area.**

This will prevent people driving through the space where people are lined up to make purchases when it is dark. What are the hours? Set up 3/3:15, 4:30-7:30 event, Flyer? No flyer