



MINUTES

General Session

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 ~ 6:00pm

Liberty Hall

I. Preliminary (6:00-6:05)

- A. Call to Order: 6:05pm
- B. Pledge
- C. Roll Call

1. Officers

X Josh Edlow, PRESIDENT

X Cris Mois, TREASURER

X Emily Liakos, VICE PRESIDENT

X Janelle Edwards, HISTORIAN & PARLIAMENTARIAN

X Andi Bonner, SECRETARY

D. Approval of Previous Minutes

1. General Session (5/13/2025)

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

- E. Thought of the Day: Josh Edlow: “The only way to achieve greatness in life is to have patience, consistency & discipline.” -David Goggins

II. Board Initiated Business: Tricia Nelson (6:05 - 6:15)

- A. Appoint & Vote in new PSO President
- B. Appoint & Vote in new PSO Vice President
- C. Appoint & Vote in new PSO Historian & Parliamentarian

III. Budget Report: Cris Mois (6:15 - 6:20)

IV. Action Items (6:20 - 6:30)

A. New 2025/2026 Budget

V. Enrichment Committee Report: (6:30 - 6:35)

A. Athletics Enrichment (Allie Tafoya, Athletic Director)

Athletics Fundraisers: Fireworks booth: raised 45K this summer for the Athletics programs, thank you to everyone who supported us. Spiritwear: Jamie and Nicole will be doing a sale soon, money made from Spirit wear offsets the cost of our Athletic Programs. Snack Bar : Athletics posted items needed for snack bar, snack bar at the games really helps earn the program money. Dinner night out : TBD. We will be posting 3 dinner nights out this year, watch for those.

Fall sports are in full swing: HS Girls volleyball: Two teams JV and Varsity. HS boys soccer: One varsity team. HS Cross country: Two teams male and female. MS Girls Basketball: Two teams 7th & 8th – Thank you Jenilyn Dumm for stepping up to help coach. MS Boys flag football: Two teams 7th and 8th. MS Cross Country: 28 runners grades 4-8.

Scholar Spotlight : Jessika Rubick made it to the quarter finals for the Sports Illustrated athlete of the year, please keep voting.

Coach Spotlight : Molly Grant was named Brooks Running coach of the year, her team received over 10K in merch, running shorts, shoes, tops etc. and the program earned 1,000 in cash!

B. Arts Enrichment - Update provided by Nickole McEndree the Arts Enrichment Chair and Mr. B

VAPA Update: Drama: The musical "Pippin" will be on Nov 14th and 15th. Ms. Koehler and Mr. Matthews are directing. There are also several drama classes including 8th grade Drama, high school Drama, and Advanced Drama.

After school band and orchestra are going again this year, along with band classes during the school day in 8th grade and HS. The first band concert is December 4th. After school Elementary Choir is at capacity, with 65 scholars. There are choirs during the school day in 7th grade and high school. Schola Cantorum (advanced choir for 7th-9th) has moved to during the school day this year and

has ballooned to 45 scholars. Virtus is at capacity with 50 scholars. The first combined choir performance is coming up on Oct 10th. The Nativity will be on Dec 5th-6th, and the Holiday Arts Show will be Dec 12th-13th. This year Virtus will be competing at the national Heritage Festival in San Francisco. Next year, we will go out of state — possibly NYC. To help raise money for these competitions, Virtus has an Elementary Fun Night fundraiser coming up on Fri, Sept 26th and a Benefit Concert on Sat, Oct 25th. Virtus will also be doing our caroling fundraiser in Dec.

VI. PSO Committee Updates (6:35 - 6:55)

- A. Annual PSO Fundraiser (Josh Edlow): Liberty Luau to have games, food & music. Will need volunteers & donations for raffle (from merchants) for the day of. Secondary scholars will have volunteer opportunities.

- B. Elementary Events (Emily Liakos): Daddy Daughter Dance, Mother Son Event, this committee needs a co-chair.

- C. PEST Program Committee (Emily Liakos/Andi Bonner): Needs a chairperson if the committee is to remain active. Attendees at the meeting have shown interest in participating but no chair has volunteered as of yet.

- D. Secondary Events Committee (Josh Edlow/Cris Mois): Andrea Esparza has stepped up to be the Chair person of this committee. Student Government organizes events under this Committee.

- E. Staff Appreciation Committee (Emily Liakos): Organized cabinets, purchased mints, kind bars. October is drinks, November is candy, December is sweet treats. Plan to have 3 catered staff meals. Notes and treats for birthdays.

- F. Uniform Swap Committee (Cris Mois): Chairs to speak with Mr. Gonzalez about location. Chair Minna in attendance and asks participants to please leave the swap materials better than you found it. Looking to possibly move the location to a more convenient/accessible space. Donate items that are uniform compliant.

- G. Parent Connection Committee (Andi Bonner): Helen & Dan Chern put on a successful Muffins & Mingle Event in August. Next Muffins & Mingle TBD in January 2026. 2nd Annual Bingo Night TBD in February 2026 and will work in conjunction with Virtus to provide child care as their fundraiser to allow parents to have a fun game night.

- H. Entrepreneurial Fair Committee (previously Community Events) (Emily Liakos): Open Chair position.

- I. Room Parent Committee (Emily Liakos): Chair Linnzi in attendance and provided updates including: a room parent info letter was sent to teachers to provide to their class parents to gauge interest. It's going well, Linnzi says things are going well and she is in the process of collecting the interest forms. Making sure room parent has teachers favorites list and birthday. The Harvest Festival will be their first classroom event.

- J. Note added from Tricia expressing the ability to use ParentSquare as a communication tool to effectively communicate with group and committee members.

Adjournment: 7:05pm

**Next General PSO Meeting:
Tuesday, November 4, 2025
6:00 PM
Liberty Hall**