

PTO Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2025

7:03 PM

1. Welcome- Cristy Downie - Intro of Board Members and attendees
2. Approve Minutes from May 2025 Meeting - minutes approved and passed
3. A word from our Principal, Dr. Seward
 - a. A Team in the house as Murray is now an A Rated School
 - b. Gave a review of upcoming events with dates and times. Please check Bulldog Bulletin weekly. Provided a review of the Title 1 Meeting and purpose.
 - c. Enrollment is up at 776 students above projections
 - d. 8th Grade Parent Meeting - 9/29/25 - Virtual
4. Financial Report from Paula Rivera, Treasurer - report approved and passed
 - a. Amazing Business Partner Contributions and starting account balance
 - b. Review of current contributions and expenses
5. August Recap:
 - a. New payment platform- Zeffy - allows for accountability and administrative ease for collecting and remitting payments. Donations to the platform are not required. It is optional to skip that step.
 - b. Spirit Wear- online sale and Cash N Carry - T-Shirts still available - message PTO and pay through Zeffy.
 - i. Sports Corner orders will be ready in the next 7-10 business day.
 - c. Stock the Lounge - successful effort to welcome teachers and staff back to school.
 - d. Spirit Night (Hillary Soto- Chair)- Texas Roadhouse - was a successful effort
 - e. Football Tailgate Lunch (September 5) - amazing "kick-off" to our school year with a wonderful lunch
6. Upcoming Events:
 - a. Spirit Night (Hillary Soto- Chair)- Chipotle Tuesday, September 30th - more details will be sent out on social media, website and Bulldog Bulletin. Chipotle App order will count and a code will be required. Third Party Websites such as Door Dash are not compatible.

b. Red Ribbon Week- October 23-31 - Lakeisha Byrd coordinating activities and efforts to include a community drive for blankets and socks. Donations and Penny Wars to support.

i. Requesting Parent Volunteers to assist with planning and activities

c. Jail Break 5k - October 25th - need people to register and as a Murray Team. The school with the most Team registrations wins a cash prize.

d. Fall Festival- October Date TBD or partnership with another in-school event rather than an after school event. PTO will coordinate with Mr. Velsor.

e. A Honors Breakfast - October 31st - PTO working to coordinate breakfast sponsorship.

f. Athletics will sell concessions for all sporting events as applicable. PTO can support efforts as needed.

7. Open Floor for Questions or Comments

a. Taryn T. - Reminder to try and secure the Orange St. Parking Lot Fundraiser

i. Breakfast Donation - Chick Fil A Breakfast - Wed. Nov. 12th for Faculty Meeting Day Breakfast was proposed. Taryn will coordinate the official date with PTO.

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