



GULF COAST CHARTER ACADEMY SOUTH
PTO PLANNING MEETING 08/25/2015

6pm - Cafeteria

Hello all and Happy Wednesday! - This is a lengthy email containing the information from last night's meeting, so you may want to read it at a convenient time.

Thank you for your attendance and engaging conversations at our meeting. We are looking forward to an exciting year with your support and involvement.

Our meeting began promptly at 6pm with a sign-in sheet provided for all in attendance to write their name and email for communication and contact purposes.

Gwen Dapore, our Executive Director, stated the purpose of our meeting and asked those in attendance if there were

any objections to a show of hands as a means to determine voting. There were no objections voiced

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Mr. William Staros, our Assistant Principal, and Mr. Patrick Scully, our 6th grade teachers were in attendance.

Sean McCullough provided a brief update on the PTO meetings that took place over the summer including a review of the by-laws, the upcoming meetings to take place every other month, the effective and transparent communication we have accomplished with GCCAS and Forza, and the need for more parent involvement.

Following this brief update, nominations were made for each of the board positions and elections made by show of hands.

Below are the new PTO board members:

President:	Sean McCullough
Vice President:	Katie Andrae
Recording Secretary:	Deb Ramos-Vargas
Communications Secretary:	Kristi Lester
Treasurer:	Keri Wall

Other topics discussed included Committee chairs; Stephanie Almond, Jamie Bentley and Ann Tea expressed interest, and Regina Beaird shared great ideas to promote school spirit.

Fundraiser ideas, teacher involvement and recruiting more members were also mentioned.

****Fundraiser nights at Chick-Fil-A from 5pm-8pm on:**

****The Cow will be in Carline on these dates as well****

Monday, September 21, 2015

Monday, January 25, 2015

Monday, March 7, 2015

Meeting adjourned promptly at 7pm.

Upcoming meetings: * All welcome to attend*

Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 6pm - in the cafeteria - Board Meeting / Budget / Calendar of events

Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 6pm - in the cafeteria - Committees Formation and appointing of chairs

The PTO board met with Mr. Staros on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 from 8am - 9am for a debriefing. We discussed PTO minutes, recruitment / membership drive, upcoming school events including book fair, movie nights, carnival, and end of year gala and how the PTO may support these events.

Please share this thread with other parents who were not able to attend and encourage them to become involved.

The board will be actively working to recruit more parents to become members of the PTO.

Thanking you for all you do - have a great rest of the week!

Deb Ramos-Vargas

Recording Secretary
for GCCAS PTO