

Dora Moore PTSA Member Meeting

March 10, 2026 (Rm. 202A)

The meeting was called to order by Lane Harlow at 4:20pm. We have established a quorum.

In attendance:

- Officers: Lane Harlow, Byron Vall, Falon Bird, Will Paterson, ~~Jill Berry~~, Jenn Jeung, Anna Crockford, ~~Ms. Kelly~~.
- Members: Abram Janson, Ann Terill, Cassie Tormohlen, Hazel Janssen, Hilary Rice, Jason Astorno, Julia Kornis, Justin Troche, Kalee Danker, Lynn Vollero, Meg Connell, Mike Quinene, Zach Lewis

Opening / Welcome

Minutes from February 10th, 2026

- Minutes reviewed and approved with one minor change.

Budget update / transparency

- Will outlined current status of PTSA finances (as of end of February)
- The PTSA has brought in more money this year than projected, in part based on SNAP initiative. We are hoping to raise approx. \$5-10K in the auction.
- Budget update: PTSA is likely to spend the full amount of Teacher Supports this year.

Information Sharing

- 2026-2027 Board Nominations
 - Treasurer Nominees: Will Paterson, Kaylee Danker. Vote was unanimous.
 - Secretary Nominees: Jenn Jeung, Katie Fowler. Vote was unanimous.
 - Vice President Nominees: Byron Vall, Hilary Rice. Vote was unanimous.
 - President Nominees: Lane Harlow. Vote was unanimous.
- School Update (Principal Janson)
 - Principal Janson walked members through the results of the recent school survey about communication and possible takeaways from the responses.
 - This was the first year of the survey, but the hope is to collect and compare data annually.
 - Overall responses were very positive, well aligned between parents and teachers. Where the data doesn't line up, the school administrators plan to use the information to adjust.
 - Communication methods and challenges were discussed.
 - Families and teachers want to communicate more, but recognize time/workload limits
 - Spring conferences – challenges getting families to engage.
 - Big transition in engagement from early grades to Gr. 3+.
 - Family connection with teachers is significantly impacted by how students get to school (e.g. dropped off vs bus)
 - Next Steps

- Administration to perform empathy interviews and identify 2-3 things the school will do to address current challenges.
- Advocacy Committee:
 - Enrollment Strategy (follow-up from February)
 - The committee met with the school administration to identify key messaging
 - Plan to share out information next month
 - Looking for 7-10 volunteers to move forward with messaging
 - Next Advocacy Committee Meeting, virtual, 3/26 @6pm
 - Traffic Safety Update
 - Committee has progressed with options for decorating the fence along 8th to increase visibility
 - PTSA approved spending of \$100 on supplies for trial fence covering at the bus stop along 8th Ave
 - **Julia to talk to Lane about the purchase**
 - **Julia, Jason and Ms Bayer to develop design. Run by Mr. Janson for approval**
 - Current committee opinion: Painting the cross walk is likely not worth pursuing further
 - DPS Board Member – Dr Torres speaking on 4/6, 5:30-8pm, @ George Washington High School
- Fundraising
 - Auction planning discussed, with request for additional items to be donated, and volunteers to package up items
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lxQtBRbjzlupSz4F5GkB0lxBfb1UcNOfEZDeRLW19RU/edit?usp=share_link
- Gardens and Grounds
 - Student Climate Council is going great
 - Need volunteers for building raised beds 3/16-3/20. Fence going in over Spring Break
 - Volunteer opportunity: evening or spring cleaning day? PTSA could provide coffee, donuts, etc
- Staff Supports:
 - Teacher Appreciation Week (5/4-5/8)
 - Suggested buying swag for the teachers
- Community Store
 - **Anna to pack up majority of store supply of 0-24 mo for clothing drive at Denver Public Library.**
 - **Hilary to restock the pantry in advance of the week-long break**
 - Suggestion to provide recipes for the food pantry foods or pre-bag meal kits to encourage community members to take items in over supply.

Open Forum

- Action Item: introduce yourself to 3 new families within the community
- Dine out night 3/18 @ Birdcall

Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm. Next meeting to be held 4/14/26 (virtual).