



**Newton North High School**  
**PTSO Board Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2023 (5:00-6:15PM)**  
**Location: Room 103**

**AGENDA**

<b>Executive Board:</b>	X Natalia Espinal, Co-President X Jacqueline Freeman, Co-President X Karen Ghiron, Vice President	X April Stein, Co-Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Marie Washek, Co-Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Janna Lacatell, Co-Secretary X Jess Schiefer, Co-Secretary
<b>Board Members:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Bentley, Co-Director, Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Jaya Lal, Co-Director, Technology X Susannah Wardley, Co-Director, Comms X Mark Tackie, At Large Member METCO <input type="checkbox"/> Linda Barros, At Large Member METCO	<input type="checkbox"/> Swapna Chatterjee, Co-Director, Programs <input type="checkbox"/> Gabriela Kroszynski, Co-Director, Programs; Just Think Expo
<b>Committees &amp; Chairs</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Kirsten Engel, Northside Dining X Una Simmons, Northside Dining <input type="checkbox"/> Linda D’Alessandro, Directory <input type="checkbox"/> Megan Flynn, Directory <input type="checkbox"/> Rachel Hill Zoob, Directory X Julie Pinto, Multicultural Night <input type="checkbox"/> Melissa Meyerowitz, Grants & Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> Amelia Angella, EdEx Campaign <input type="checkbox"/> Swapna Chatterjee, EdEx Campaign <input type="checkbox"/> Agatha Clancy, Newton SEPAC <input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Hargens, Newton Serves/ Bold Paint <input type="checkbox"/> Adriana Dukakis, Just Think Expo <input type="checkbox"/> Litian He, Celebration 2024 <input type="checkbox"/> Sally Xu, Celebration 2024
<b>NNHS:</b>	X Henry Turner, Principal	<input type="checkbox"/> Amy Winston, Vice Principal
<b>Additional Attendees:</b>	Annette – SEPAC Chair & Coffee Coordinator	

Agenda Topic	Owner	Time Allotted
<b>Call To Order @ 5:07pm</b>	Jacqueline	1 minute
<b>Motion to Approved Prior Meeting Minutes (5/16/2023)</b>	Jessica	1 minute
<b>Financials</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● P&amp;L</li> <li>● Treasurer’s Report           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Membership dues down, at \$41,000 with 536 families participating, last year after back to school night had \$56K with 694 families participating, last year’s mailing had 61 checks come in compared to 13 this year</li> <li>- *have 2 people at each entrance for back to school night, hand out code</li> <li>- *have paypal link in all communications, code available for senior parent’s night</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	April	8 minutes
<b>Directory</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update on Participation - it's going well</li> </ul>	Jacqueline	5 minutes

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<b>Grants &amp; Projects</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning, communications, submissions, awards - really interesting projects coming in, mid-Oct. deadline, spend before end of school year</li> </ul>	Jacqueline	2 minutes
<b>Programming</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on Planning &amp; Scheduled Events - used to be 6 programs, now 1 big program April 2nd, still in process</li> </ul>	Karen	5 minutes
<b>Northside Dining</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update - Oct. 14th 6:30-8, 8-10pm, still looking for hosts, announce EdEx</li> </ul>	Una	5 minutes
<b>Multicultural Night</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on Planning &amp; Scheduled Events - Nov. 8th at 6:30, expecting 400 people, thinking of crowd control and flow</li> </ul>	Julie	3 minutes
<b>Communications</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates - 2nd issue went out today. Parent collaborative Alison Braun requested that information about the Newton Teachers contract and the PEC, which was completed.</li> </ul>	Susannah	5 minutes
<b>Technology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates - user friendly, fixing positions and emails, flip cards on website, behind the scenes it's all getting done. Social media meeting liaison with class liaisons, best practices</li> </ul> <p>*email liaisons for Multicultural Night</p>	Jacqueline	5 minutes
<b>Metco</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome events, Communications</li> <li>Updates - how to get parents to back to school night, pre-meeting in 30 minute slots before the start, capitalize on people being there, Dr. Turner thinking on it more, sub committees is a good place to start, broader coalition of parents, Owl 360 hybrid meetings</li> </ul>	Mark	5 minutes
<b>Principal's Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field lights delayed, hit a sewer line, good start and vibe in the building is the best it's been in eight years, water bottle fillers needed in athletic part of school, sophomore class planning a movie night, cell phone pouches is best decision and kids more attentive, update to attendance policy regarding college visits starting the 2nd semester of Jr. year through Sr. year students will get 2 excused absences per term</li> </ul>	Henry	10 minutes
<b>Additional Topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*tissues needed, ask parents to bring to back to school night</li> </ul>	Jacqueline	10 minutes
<b>Meeting Adjourned: 6:03pm</b>		65 minutes

Meeting end time: HH:MM PM

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Minutes respectfully submitted by: Janna Lacatell & Jess Schiefer