

ROSKRUGE K-8 SCHOOL PTA MEETING MINUTES

August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

5:30 PM Roskruge Library/Zoom

**I. Attendees:**

Janice Padilla	Dale Lopez	Margaret Bly	Natalia Hoffman	Claudia Perez
Deborah Grunloh	Sally Fletcher	Alexandra de la Ree	Nadia Arvizu	

**II. Call to order:** Meeting called to order by Janice Padilla at 5:33pm.

**III. Approve minutes from last meeting:** n/a

**IV. Reports:**

President's Report

- Ms. Padilla shared that the first Peter Piper Pizza fundraiser of the year was held on Thursday, August 21st. The event was well-attended, and PTA earned \$275.06.
- Ms. Bly and Ms. Padilla attended the Arizona State PTA conference in June. Roskruge PTA was awarded citations for our growing membership, having 50+ members, and for organization.

Vice President's report

- Mr. Lopez reported that there was an issue with the meeting notification that was sent out. Roskruge faculty received the message, but only some parents were notified. The issue will be resolved for the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

- Ms. Bly presented the SY2025-2026 budget. The projected balance is \$41,169.87. Projected income sources include Fall and Spring fundraisers, Noche de Gala, Peter Piper Pizza nights, WUNA tip jar, Tucson High Graduation parking, Square 1 Art, and school store. Projected expenses included various activities and groups. Mr. Lopez moved to approve the budget and Ms. Grunloh seconded the motion.
- In discussion, Ms. Grunloh asked if it would be possible to request more money for projected activities, or if requests would be limited to those listed in the original budget. Ms. Bly clarified that the budget is a living document which can be updated monthly. Student Council was added as a budget category. The SY2025-2026 budget was approved as amended.

Principal's Report

- Ms. Perez reported that we have had a smooth and successful beginning of the year. School sports are already underway. Roskruge welcomed four new teachers- Ms. Estrada in kindergarten, Mr. John in second grade, Ms. Cintron in 7<sup>th</sup> grade science, and Ms. Romano for 6<sup>th</sup> grade Spanish.
- Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup> is Picture Day.

- TUSD has adopted Parent Square for school/parent communication. Ms. Perez noted that many parents are confused with the new system. Ms. Arvizu commented that while she has received phone calls from Parent Square, the caller was listed incorrectly as the nurse's office or other department. Some parents called the office after receiving a message from Parent Square because they did not understand the message.
- A new security gate will be installed tomorrow, August 26<sup>th</sup>. This will require all visitors to buzz in before entering the school yard. This will address safety concerns, including former students who want to enter the building.
- Roskruge is using Centigex, a new security system that allows any staff member to request immediate assistance or call for a lockdown. This will be helpful in addressing safety and medical situations, such as if a student has a seizure and the teacher needs support right away.
- Roskruge briefly went into a soft lockdown last week when someone near the corner store was spotted with what appeared to be a weapon. School safety and TPD arrived and determined the weapon was a taser. The incident occurred right before dismissal. Students were dismissed at the normal time.
- Mr. Olivas has been directing parents to drop off their students in the appropriate place. The eastside entrance to the staff parking lot will remain locked. Parents have used the parking lot as a drop-off location, which is not safe, as staff are parking and may not see a student walking.

#### V. Old Business: n/a

#### VI. New Business

- Standing rules- Ms. Bly moved that the budget standing rules as amended to reflect the new dues of \$8.00 per year, per person, with \$3.25 forwarded to state PTA and \$3.25 forwarded to national PTA be adopted. Mr. Lopez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Financial Review Ratification- The financial review must be signed by 3 PTA members who are not signers on the financial account. Mr. Lopez moved to approve the financial review subject to signatures. Ms. Padilla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Approval of Arizona State PTA bylaws- Ms. Bly moved that Roskruge PTA approve the Arizona State PTA bylaws as presented. Her motion was seconded by Ms. Padilla and the bylaws were approved as presented.
- Square 1 Art- Ms. Fletcher shared that she has distributed all the art paper to teachers. More middle school teachers are participating than previously. She will notify Ms. Carranza of the purchasing dates so that the information can be added to the noticiero.
- Bumper stickers- Ms. Fletcher suggested we have bumper stickers to advertise our bilingual school. PTA members discussed the benefits of advertising our program to prospective families. Ms. Fletcher will research potential slogans and report back at the next meeting.
- Roskruge Hall of Fame- Mr. Lopez asked that this topic be tabled until the next meeting.
- PE T-shirts- Mr. Lopez moved that PTA purchase 100 T-shirts at a cost of \$8.00 each for middle school PE. The T-shirts will be sold to students at a cost of \$10.00 each. While students are required to dress

out in a white or grey shirt, they do not have to purchase the Roskruge PE shirt. Ms. Bly seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

- Request to purchase 4 small fans for Roskruge- Ms. Carranza asked PTA to purchase fans to have on hand in case a classroom is too hot. Ms. Padilla moved that PTA cover the cost of the fans, Ms. Bly seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- Penguin Patch/Reindeer Lane- Ms. Hoffman shared that two companies have reached out about the possibility of Roskruge hosting a holiday shop for students. While these shops can raise funds, they require quite a bit of planning and volunteer help. One issue with hosting a holiday shop is the space. The library is used for testing throughout most of December. Ms. Hoffman will find out if it is possible to offer the holiday shop for just one day and will report back at the next meeting.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences- Mr. Lopez moved that PTA hire J & J Catering to provide food for teachers staying late on September 18<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bly and passed unanimously.

#### VIII. Call to Audience

- Ms. De la Ree shared that parents, faculty/staff, and community members can sign up for safety alerts from the University of Arizona at <https://www.smart911.com/smart911/login.action?lpse=1>.
- Ms. Arvizu shared that she was unaware that elementary school sports had already started. The August noticiero had information about middle school sports, but not elementary. She asked if elementary school sports could be advertised in the noticiero as many elementary students are not likely to share information from the announcements with their parents. Mr. Lopez shared that some TUSD schools have an Athletics button on their website, but Roskruge does not. Ms. Padilla suggested the PTA ask Mr. Roberts about including an Athletics button on our website.
- Ms. Hoffman shared that a Roskruge family needs some furniture. She requested anyone who has extra twin-sized beds or a desk to notify her.

Next meeting is September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30pm in the Roskruge Library/Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32pm.