

Doolen Middle School

PTO and Gate Booster Minutes

I. Call to Order –

- Meeting was called to order by the GATE Booster President – Rebecca Tingley @ 5:30 pm

II. Introductions –

- The following is a list of all that attended the August Meeting for Doolen PTO/Gate Boosters.
 - Kim Clark
 - Erika Tornberg
 - Nathaly Santin
 - Nic Costa Juanita Felix
 - Scott Korman
 - Paul Ensey
 - Kelly Rudalf
 - Alicia Durbin
 - Jen Olson
 - Rebecca Tingley
 - Wendy Peterson
 - Leslie Mason

III. Role of TUSD1 PTO/GATE Booster Club – (This portion was left as basically a Mission Statement for the Association)

To support the TUSD school district's middle school programs, the booster club should follow these guidelines:

- Promote school spirit and community involvement through events and activities.
- Fundraise to provide financial support for school programs, clubs, and sports.
- Collaborate with school administration to align goals and initiatives.
- Encourage parental and community volunteer participation in school events.
- Maintain transparent communication regarding financial activities and expenditures.
- Ensure compliance with district policies and regulations in all booster club activities.

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IV. Treasurer's Report –

- The Treasurer handed out a compiled report for Gate's end of year budget and reported the standings as of September 1, 2025. No monies came in for the months of July and August.
- There was discussion on the PTO budget – site Council – and undesignated funds through Tax credit.
- It was noted that a great deal of the work was completed through “Donated Funds” for the school Festival
- It was decided that since Doolen PTO and Gate Boosters were joining into one Organization that the Treasurer should combine all funds into one. Treasurer – Alicia Durbin along with Treasurer intern Scott Korman were instructed to transfer funds from Doolen PTO and Kim Clark to GATE Booster funds. A Motion was then made by Rebecca Tingley to have the accounts joined at the bank into one account with separate line items in the books. This will enable the handling of funds for both entities in one account. It was seconded by Leslie Mason and passed with a majority vote.

V. Old Business –

- a. none

VI. New Business –

1. A discussion of School-wide events --

- Mrs Wendy (ELA self-contained 8th grade teacher) is taking over Student Council
- Student Council has had their first meeting and are set to handle several events for Doolen.
 - October Fall Festival – Oct 30 from 5:30pm -7:30 pm
 - Doolen Meet Yourself
 - Holiday Dance
 - Spring Carnival
- Doolen Fall Festival is a school-wide event. Support will be given from Student Council, PTO/Gate Boosters, and members of Doolen Staff and Support Staff.

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This will be a ticketed event. Pre-Sale tickets: 5/\$1 – at Gate tickets: 4/\$1

Advertisements will go out in the form of flyers to whole school and Posters/Electric Signage for parents and others passing the school.

The following is a list of activities and items needed to ensure a successful festival.

- Donation request letters to be sent – Nathaly Santin and Community Liaison
 - Haunted House – Monitors have been secured by Wendy and Student Council to organize this.
 - Student Council will assist with setting up front courtyard and back area of school
 - CSP – Mr Costa will check into El Chikitin, Coffee Truck, Popcorn, Italian Ice Truck, and Hot Dog truck
 - D.J. – Mrs. Wendy to arrange
 - Pumpkins for painting to be gathered by parents and PTO/Gate Booster's - NEEDED
 - Cake Walk – Donations to be gathered - NEEDED
 - Decorations – NEEDED
 - Whole School grounds to be utilized
 - Lights for safety (Juanita Felix to see if Dist., still has lights at warehouse for schools to use) and Decorations – NEEDED
 - Food Trucks/Vendors – from neighboring area – NEEDED
 - Donations to Community Fall Festival Notice to all Doolen Parents
 - Suggested: a Google Form be put together for Parents/Volunteers to sign-up to help
 - Motion for all above listed by Nathaly Santin – 2nd by Jen Olson
2. Rubio's Fund-Raiser to be held on September 18, 2025. This is also the evening Conferences can be held – School will supply meals from Rubio's for all staff.

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3. GATE End of Year Field Trip Meeting -- September 23, 2025 It was decided that all GATE parents will attend this mandatory meeting.
 - Items covered:
 - 8th Grade – San Diego trip –EXP information will be handed out with an expected number of students attending being 25 – Both Ms Quirino and Mr Holiman to chaperone - Rebecca is to email information to Jen and Mr Holiman to email to Mrs Tornberg. Cost per student will be discussed at the meeting as well as requirements.
 - 7th grade Trip to Tonto Rim
 - 6th grade Trip to Phoenix – Music Instrument Museum
 - All Field Trip forms need to be submitted to Governing Board by December
4. Mr Ensey state TSO (Tucson Symphony Orchestra has reduced entrance cost for students on Sept 15 and 23.

VII. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm

Changes to minutes _____