CPS PTO Meeting Agenda: March 2026

Date: March 5, 2026 | Time: 10:00am

Zoom Link

WELCOME, CALL TO ORDER 10:02 am

ROLL CALL

- Board (voting members): Meredith Bielecki, Chris Winders, Naiara Vaz, Ian Applegate, Kaitlin Waterson
- Committee coordinators: Ryan Lester, Lynette Kelleher, Ashley Young, Liese Meier, JoAnn Barber, Sharon Whitt
- CPS faculty / admin: n/a
- Parents and other school community members: none

GENERAL UPDATES

Updates from PTO Co-Presidents: Meredith Bielecki and Kaitlin Waterson

- Approved February 2026 meeting minutes
- PTO/CEF Prom - May 9, 2026 - Concord Armory - 7:30 - 11 pm - call for volunteers, especially for the food committee. Tickets are on sale. Meetings are every other Monday at 7:30 pm if anyone wants to join.
- Teacher 2 Teacher program - requests are trickling in and everyone seems happy with it so far.
- Other possible spring fundraising - Charleston wrapping
- Presenting to School Committee on March 11th - How the PTO runs on just donations and what curriculum enrichment is able to fund.

Updates from CPS Faculty / admin: none

BOARD / COMMITTEE COORDINATOR UPDATES

Timely updates

Publicity: Chris Winders - newsletter going out 3/13 - submit content by 3/10. New possible company (CS Bailey Landscaping out of Groton) to advertise in the newsletter - they would pay us $170 for the newsletter, and they have already agreed to advertise in the Wonka playbill.

Fundraising: Ian Applegate

Meredith reached out to My Grandma's Coffee Cakes for a spring fundraiser - they will send us the flyers. Need to find out if there's an online fundraising option too. Need to confirm cost and figure out some logistics.

Treasurer: Katie Vachon - none

Curriculum Enrichment: Karen Landale and Naiara Vaz -

Elementary -

Read Across America week is this week! Greta Nordblom delivered the breakfast for the readers on Tuesday morning.

Kindergarten bubbles with the Discovery Museum is coming up. Naiara will go.

3rd grade - Wampanoag program - not confirmed - but tentatively booked for 4/10/26.

4th grade - Discovery museum lasers program - parent liaison is working on it.

Middle School -

5th and 6th - Potato Hill Poetry - March 18 - approximately $2000

7th and 8th - Living Voices - $1240

Joint assembly with DEICAC - Cultura Latina Dance Academy - 4/6 - middle and elementary assemblies - $650 total - $325 per organization

PTO received several thank you notes from first graders for the Plimoth Patuxet visitor.

PTO received a thank you from Mrs. Bailian for the new white board in her classroom through the CE grants this fall.

Book Fair: Liese Meier - it is next week. Books should be delivered on Friday. Gift cards are available for sale now. Still need cashiers and help breaking down at the end. PJ story time Monday, face painting on Wednesday. Gift cards that are not spent go to the library for them to spend.

Faculty & Staff Appreciation: Ashley Young - week of May 11 - overwhelming results of the survey were for a catered lunch. Faculty and staff can pre-order sandwiches; families can bring drinks, chips and desserts. Will solicit volunteers in April.

Room Parents: Krystle Gibbs and Janelle Kapusta - none

Events: Prom

Middle School: Deepa Chungi - talked briefly about Spaghetti Supper and starting to organize their committee.

7th grade play - Chris Winders - rehearsals are going great - Wonka is March 19, 20 & 21. Ticket sales are going well - ⅓ of all tickets sold for each performance. Selling 380 tickets per performance.

Husky Directory: Niressa Martin - none

DEI Committee Update: Liese Meier - none

CPS Garden: Ayla Barmer - none

SEPAC: Jessie Pescatore - none

CEF: Ryan Lester - working on Prom

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNED

Minutes prepared by Kaitlin Waterson and approved April 2, 2026.