

Grange Hall Elementary School

Parent Teacher Association

General Body Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2025

- I. Call to Order/Welcome: 18:00
- II. Report of Officers
 - A. President's Report - Casey Allen
 1. Due to a conflict with Deep Creek Middle School back-to-school attendance tonight is lower than usual.
 2. Review and approval of the August general body meeting minutes
 3. We have achieved 100% compliance with required documents for the 2025-2026 school year
 4. Membership has shown a 40% increase following Back to School night. We are currently up to 211 members. There have been some issues with sign ups, however, moving to the Give Backs system will help resolve these issues.
 5. Fall Carnival Updates
 - a) Scheduled for Friday, October 18
 - b) The county has approved the permit for using the facilities and outdoor space,
 - c) Sarah Battle has posted sign ups for carnival donations, volunteers for manning bouncy houses and other activities. Links are in the bulldog bulletin, the Grange Hall PTA facebook group and the Bulldog parent facebook group
 - d) Wristbands for pre-orders will be sent home
 6. Grandparent's Breakfast
 - a) Scheduled for Nov 19, 20 and 21 prior to Thanksgiving
 - b) Additional information in the VP Programs section of the agenda
 - B. Treasurer Report - Casey for Greg
 1. Budget Updates

SEPTEMBER 2025 KEY LINE-ITEM FORECAST

Key Line Items	Sep 2025 Forecast	Approved Budget	Variance	Comments
	2025 - 2026	2025 - 2026	Budget vs Actual	
Membership Dues	2,500	2,500	-	
Fundraisers	45,500	45,500	-	
Business Partships/Interest	1,326	1,326	-	
Total Inflows	49,326	49,326	-	
Teacher Activities	18,000	18,000	-	
Administrative Costs & Dues	6,805	6,805	-	
Committees	3,335	3,335	-	
Educational Programs	11,892	10,892	(1,000)	Increase for Brain Pop quote of \$4,500 vs \$3,500
Fundraiser Activities	11,775	11,325	(450)	Increase for School Carnival expenses
Special Projects	31,800	31,800	-	
Student Activities/Programs	11,825	11,825	-	
Total Expenses	95,432	93,982	(1,450)	
Net Budget Total	(46,106)	(44,656)	(1,450)	



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2. Vote for budget updates
 - a) Fall Carnival Budget Increase \$450 - Approved
 - b) BrainPop \$1,000 increase- Approved

BUDGET INCREASES FOR VOTE

Item	New Request	Original Request	Budget Impact	Comments
2003 - Brain Pop	4,500	3500	1,000	Budgeted amount less than quote
Fall Carnival				
1521 - Carnival Supplies/Wristbands	1,225	1,000	225	Incremental Vendor Fees
1511 - Staff Payments - Carnival	2,425	2,200	225	Incremental Vendor Fees
	3,650	3,200	450	



- C. VP Membership Report -Kristin O'Neil
 1. Membership Update - 211 members currently
 2. Ms. Bowman's class won the September membership drive pizza party
 3. October Membership Drive
 - a) Grade level competition
- D. VP Fundraising Report - Paul Podhorn
- E. VP Programs Report - Julie Carr and Andrea Wilkerson
 1. Grandparent's Breakfast
 - a) Still looking for a chair!
 - (1) Jessica volunteered to chair the event! Paige Kelley will assist.
 - b) November 19, 20 and 21 prior to Thanksgiving
- F. Principal's Report - Dr. Gardner
 1. Received positive feedback about both Back to School Night events
 2. Watch Dog Kick Off Event
 - a) Next week - September 25
 - b) This is a parent only event, and pizza will be provided

III. Adjournment:

- A. Next Meeting: October 23, 2025