

## Bryant PTSA General Meeting

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Present: Matt Hunt, Marika Vander Smith, Alison Bettles, Kerry Billingham, David McKnight, Katie Salisbury, Tiffany Courtnage, Anna Bonnett, Jamie Prins, Maggie Dreifurst, Leah Rutman, Emily West- Foyle, Kelly King French, Dory McConnell

Item	Presenter
<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motion and second to approve PTSA Board meeting minute from December 2025 passes.</li> </ul>	<p>Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents</p>
<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- March General Membership PTSA meeting – we discussed getting the word out about this meeting, perhaps adding a speaker or special topic. Several ideas were brainstormed.</li> <li>- We want to get more information out about what the PTSA funds, and how decisions are made about funding.</li> </ul>	<p>Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents</p>
<p><b>Principal Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enrollment is likely to be down next year. We are waiting for numbers. We could lose a staff person, AP, or a specialist position.</li> <li>- We are funding Ms. Geist, and Ms. Marshall is continuing to support that request.</li> <li>- Porsha’s position continues to get positive feedback, but there are questions about who she works with and how this is determined. It would be helpful for her to write up highlights about what she’s doing, and maybe profile her in the Weekly.</li> </ul>	<p>Dr. Marshall, Principal (not present)</p>
<p><b>Teacher Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MLK Day Assembly was great.</li> <li>- Black history month is going well.</li> </ul>	<p>Katie Salisbury, Teacher Liaison</p>
<p><b>LASER update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No updates</li> </ul>	<p>(no LASER reps)</p>
<p><b>President Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Marika is working on a survey for parents about how they are getting information, how they hear about fundraising for the PTSA, and what keeps them from volunteering.</li> </ul>	<p>Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents</p>
<p><b>Treasurer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We need volunteers for the financial review of our budget. They meet late March, early April for 2-3 meetings. Good recommendations come out of those meeting before the budget is proposed.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<p>Maggie Dreifust and David McKnight, co-Treasurers</p>

<p><b>Advocacy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Legislative session is going on. The millionaire tax is still alive.</li> <li>- Speculation that the governor may have speaking sessions after the legislative session.</li> <li>- Roosevelt and Eckstein are cosponsoring a gun talk. Bryant is not a central focus, but we would like to be informed.</li> </ul>	<p>Leah Rutman, Advocacy Chair</p>
<p><b>Volunteer Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recruitment for PTSA board next year is underway. Anne has sent out emails asking folks for their intentions for next year. We're looking at overlapping terms for co-chairs.</li> <li>- Anne got Field Day volunteers signed up.</li> </ul>	<p>Anna Bonnett &amp; Tiffany Courtnage</p>
<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motion and second to approve adjourning the meeting passes.</li> </ul>	<p>Matt and Marika</p>
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