

Bryant PTSA General Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Present: Matt Hunt, Marika Vander Smith, Alison Bettles, Kerry Billingham, David McKnight, Michael Polin, Katie Salisbury, Tiffany Courtage, Anna Bonnett, Jamie Prins, Maggie Sloane, Larry Ellman, Nin Mettler, Chelsey Chalett, Anna Jafarpour, Danielle DelRosario, Sarah Feldman, Leah Rutman

Item	Presenter
Welcome - Motion and second to approve General Membership meeting minutes from June 2025 passes. - Motion and second to approve PTSA Board meeting minute from September 2025 passes.	Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents
Principal Update - Ms. Elhart is getting an additional .2 FTE in the library - Bryant is bringing Portia in for math tutoring every day. - Ms Graff, special education Instructional Assistant is restarting on 10/20. - IXL software program is being brought back to support the teachers with the differentiation process in math and reading. Successmaker was not popular and a survey of the teachers found that 19 out of 21 wanted the previous program back. Pending PTSA funding approval below.	Dr. Marshall, Principal
Teacher Update - Smooth start to the new school year. - Teachers want IXL back. Hope to get it funded. - The memorial service for Anne Aliverti is 10/18.	Katie Salisbury, Teacher Liason
LASER update - Representatives reiterated commitment to communication between their program and the school. - Stakeholders in agreement that locking the gates from 3pm-6pm will continue.	Danielle DelRosario and Sarah Feldman, LASER representatives
President Update - Annual Campaign is underway. - 5th graders are at Islandwood camp on Bainbridge this week.	Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents

- Boo Bash is 10/25; 4th grade fundraiser - Picture day is 10/21. - Regional chess tournament is at Bryant on 12/6.	
Treasurer - No spending receipts have been submitted yet this year.	David McKnight, co-Treasurer
Advocacy - There is a school board candidate forum at Eckstein Middle School on Monday 10/20. There is a questionnaire to fill out for the Q & A period. - Legislator forums will be attempted to organize in the future.	Leah Rutman, Advocacy Chair
Membership - There are currently 108 members of the Bryant PTSA. Last year there were 115. How to get more families to sign up?	Maggie Sloane, Membership Chair
Family Support Program - Formerly Families in Need (FIN). - She spearheaded the new Bryant logo and shared it. This logo will go on the new merchandise.	Nina Mettler, FSP chair
Vote on IXL funding - Discussion about the PTSA funding IXL software for math and reading support this year as a onetime expense. Motion and second made; motion passes.	Matt Hunt and Marika Vander Smith, co-Presidents
Adjourn - Motion and second to approve adjourning the meeting passes.	Matt Hunt, co-President