



**Final General Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, October 15, 2019**

### Handouts

- Draft PTO General Meeting Minutes, September 10, 2019 (for approval)
- Treasurer's Report (08/01/2019-07/31/2020)
- Family Resource Center Items List

### Agenda

- Welcome
- Guest Speaker: Sharon Shewmake
- Family Resource Center (Anne Calico)
- Garden and Common Threads (Molly Reetz)
- Update from Principal
- Jogathon Update
- Vote to Approve September 2019 Minutes
- Upcoming Events

### Welcome

The meeting is called to order by Jennifer Seltz at 6:30 pm with a welcome and introduction of the first guest speaker, Sharon Shewmake, State Representative in the 42<sup>nd</sup> District.

### Guest Speaker: Sharon Shewmake

Sharon Shewmake is an energy and environmental expert who represents the 42<sup>nd</sup> district in the Washington House of Representatives. She discussed what she knows about the McCleary Bond, what constitutes "Basic Education" under the

Bond and how it is funded, and the importance of lobbying your legislation. She closed with a Q&A session.

### Family Resource Center (Anne Calico)

Anne Calico is a volunteer with the Friends of the Family Resource Center (the “FoFRC”). The Family Resource Center links at-need families with personal care resources. Calico came to the meeting to ask the PTO to run a supply drive, encourage donations year-round, and to advertise volunteer opportunities. Specifically, she is looking for a volunteer liaison between the PTO and the FoFRC, and there is also a need for volunteers at the Shuksan portable (where families shop for what they need) at the noon hour to break existing volunteers for lunch.

### Garden and Common Threads (Molly Reetz)

Molly Reetz is the Parkview Common Threads teacher this year. Common Threads is a non-profit that provides “seed to table” education. She discussed what each grade is working on in the Fall as well as the dishes they will make in the classroom this Winter. The Central Kitchen will make the same recipes as part of school lunch menu.

The Garden is moving in March to accommodate the new school construction, so there will be no Garden offered in the Spring. Common Threads is looking for parent volunteers to help with the move. Molly can be reached at [molly@commonthreads.org](mailto:molly@commonthreads.org).

### Update from Principal

Parent teacher conferences are approaching – the school will use an online signup again this year, with an option to sign up via hard copy and digital resources available for families that need them.

In mid-November, Mylo will start communicating the construction process with Parkview families. He hopes that all systems for the move will be in place by Spring Break so that construction can begin in late April or early May. The construction will change the way things happen at the school, and everyone will need to adjust. For example, there will be no bus loop and garden. Mylo is working through all the logistical details to ensure a smooth transition, and then they will use the rest of the school year as a test run so that all the kinks can be worked out for the 2020-2021 school year.

There was a question regarding transit related infrastructure and how the PTO and parents can advocate for changes. Someone suggested going to the City Council or the Mayor, or advocating through the Cornwall Neighborhood Association.

### Jogathon Update

Justine Waymire gave an update on the event. Three quarters of our budget is generated from the Jog-a-thon, and this year's event raised \$26,944 to date. She thanked all of the parent volunteers for making it a fun and successful event.

### Vote to Approve September 2019 Minutes

A Motion was introduced to approve the minutes. The Motion was seconded. The September 2019 Minutes were approved.

### Adjourned

Jennifer Seltz adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.