

Gamble Rogers Middle School PTO

Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2026 | 2:30 p.m.

Location: GRMS Media Center

PTO Executive Board

- **President:** Devin Schneider
 - **Vice President:** Kimberly Patterson
 - **Treasurer:** Theresa Guernon
 - **Secretary:** Jessica Barton
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1. Call to Order

President Devin Schneider called the meeting to order promptly at **2:30 p.m.**

2. Attendance

Present:

- Devin Schneider
- Kimberly Patterson
- Theresa Guernon
- Jessica Barton
- Earl Brown
- Susan DeAcutis
- Tracy Clauson
- Lori Dufrain
- Rhonda Massey
- Ginger Wilkinson
- Helene Conroy Smith
- Nicole Bohanan
- Lydia Yeoman
- Summer Lark
- Julie Inlavongsa
- Heather Singletary

3. Community Partner Presentation: Saint Augustine Youth Services (SAYS)

Saint Augustine Youth Services (SAYS) spoke to the PTO about becoming a community partner and helping raise awareness of the services they provide to children in the school and surrounding community.

PTO members were invited to tour the organization and learn more about its programs and services.

SAYS also shared information regarding an upcoming **5K scheduled for December 12** and expressed interest in having a Gamble Rogers team participate, as well as forming a committee to support participation.

4. Funding Requests

Men of Character

- **Requestors:** Dean Gregos and Earl Brown
- **Amount Requested:** \$225.00
- **Motion:** Devin Schneider
- **Second:** Kimberly Patterson
- **Status:** Approved

Sources of Strength / Best Buddies

A funding request of **\$500.00** was presented for:

- Victory Day
- Kona Ice, or another approved ice vendor, for the end of the school year

Best Buddies will reimburse the PTO for any amount spent over \$500.00.

- **Motion:** Devin Schneider
 - **Second:** Jessica Barton
 - **Status:** Approved
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5. Spirit Night & Fundraising Review

McDonald's Spirit Night

The McDonald's Spirit Night was successful and raised **\$420.00** for the PTO.

Upcoming Spirit Nights

- **September 15:** Zaxby's, 5:00–8:00 p.m.
- **September 21:** Dick's Wings, 4:00–8:00 p.m.

Ameris Bank Parking Lot Fundraiser

Plans were discussed to sell **hot chocolate and merchandise** in the Ameris Bank parking lot from **4:30 p.m. to midnight**.

Dates noted:

- **November 30:** PTO
 - **December 7:** PTO
 - **December 9:** PBIS
 - **January 4:** PBIS
 - **January 6:** PBIS
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6. Upcoming School Events

Curriculum Night

- **Date:** October 1
- **PTO Representative:** Theresa Guernon

STEAM Night

- Planned for **November**
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7. New Committee: Media Advisory

The PTO is seeking a member to serve on the **Media Advisory Committee**.

Julie Inlavongsa volunteered to serve.

8. Best Buddies / Ainsley's Room

A request was made to post information on PTO social media regarding **Ainsley Rice and Ainsley's Room**.

9. Staff Lounge

The PTO discussed making a request to **stock the staff lounge in December**.

10. Attendance Awareness

Members were reminded that **September is Attendance Awareness Month**.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at **3:30 p.m.**