

**Browning Elementary PTO
General Meeting Minutes**

April 3, 2025; 8:30 AM-Browning Cafeteria

Virtual meeting link: <https://teams.live.com/joinmeeting/9350291792920?p=xPAiXdezWFItvQBmJO>

Passcode: Passcode: ot2aA2

Attendance: 14 in person, 12 virtual

Meeting called to order at 8:40 am by Angie Kemp, President

Secretary's Report-Rachel Hogan:

Rachel made motion, Norma seconded, Reyna 3rd, to approve March 2025 minutes - Minutes were unanimously approved and are posted online at browningpto.org

President's Report-Angie Kemp:

- Thank you for a good turn out at our Browning Spirit Night at BB's on White Oak. We received a \$500 donation from BB's. Thank you to our donation fairy (Hali) for organizing our spirit night and to all families who supported us that evening. We left around 9:00pm and there were still some Browning families coming in.
- The 5th grade committee carwash was a success. Thank you to Mrs Grimaldo, Ms Luviano, Alicia, Consuelo and Anna for doing concessions and for organizing the event.
- Nominations are open for the 2025-2026 Browning PTO Executive board. Please nominate yourself or someone you know. Must be an active member of the Browning PTO and in good standing.
- Elections for new board TBD. Elections will be announced with a 2 week notice and nominee slate will be provided to the membership in writing 1 week before the election.
- The Browning PTO board of directors (exec team and committee chairs) are interested in affiliating with the National and Texas PTA (switching our PTO to PTA) due to the resources and programs available to PTA charters (all materials, trainings, programs and information is available in English and Spanish, officers and leadership training, volunteer support, designated reps that we can reach out for help, access to grants, learning events, family engagement, advocacy at state and national level, etc.).
- **Vote was taken, 7 in favor, 7 opposed- per Roberts Rules, president Angie Kemp voted to break tie in favor of moving forward to begin process to become a PTA**
- We have a limited amount of spirit wear (sweaters and hoodies), please see spirit wear table at the meeting

Treasurer's Report/Informe de Tesoreria-Norma Sanchezaldana:

-visit www.browningpto.org to see report/ www.browningpto.org

Principal Report- Dr. Leal Update, Welcome Back

-Dr. Leal would like to not have uniforms for next year - she will take a poll

-She would like to overhaul for the buildings- paint building exterior, paint inside of all buildings, T building decks/hand rails - volunteer opportunities available this Spring/Summer

Committee Reports

- Volunteer Coordinator- Veronica Espinoza

- Lots of events coming up at the end of the school year. Please make sure you are VIPS approved. Approval is needed every August, does not carry over from previous years.
- Come support the school staff by helping cover lunch duty on Wednesdays and Thurs from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm. We are able to take 2 VIPS approved volunteers at the moment. If you are available, please sign up on our volunteer form here at the meeting, on browningpto.org (click on Signups) or email rbrowningpto1@gmail.com .
- Campus improvement (garden) on Tuesdays, 10:30am. Must be VIPS approved.
- Looking for Easter photo committee, Easter egg pull committee, Father/Daughter dance committee and Loteria night committee. Sign up sheets at the entrance, on the browningpto.org website or email rbrowningpto1@gmail.com. Must be VIPS approved
- 5th Grade Committee- Ms Luviano
 - Earnings update
 - Volunteer Opportunity (pickles and popcorn sale coming up in April and May, on browningpto.org (click on Signups) or email rbrowningpto1@gmail.com
 - Dues or parent meetings
- Campus Improvement - Rachel Hogan
 - Update on garden
 - Update on new partnership with local church- will be helping with campus projects, teacher appreciation
- Hospitality - Maria Cruz
 - MAY is our busiest month (TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK). We still have room parent folders to distribute with instructions on how to navigate your parents and organize something nice (a token of appreciation) teacher appreciation week
 - We still need more a 2nd Room Parent for each classroom (at least 2 per classroom)
 - Must be paid PTO member and VIPS approved
- Dads Club & Super Dads
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- Upcoming Special Events - Hali Poetz
 - April 11: Easter photos
 - April 15 & 16: Easter egg pull afterschool (\$1)
 - April 29: spring and class photos
 - May 5-9: Teacher appreciation week
 - May 6: May General PTO Meeting, 5:00PM
 - May 9: Loteria night, 5:00 - 7:00pm
 - 5th grade dance May 16
 - 5th grade promotion ceremony May 29
 - 5th grade field trip June 3

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am by president Angie Kemp