



## GROWING UP GREEN CHARTER SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION INC.

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### **GUG PTO Meeting Minutes for 06/12/2025**

Held virtually over Zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM. There were 19 participants on the call. Board members present: Pelin Gurer (Co President), Julie Thibault-Dury (Co President), Myrna Tinoco-Rodriguez (Secretary), Sandy Satenik Barkhudaryan (Treasurer), Tania Perdomo (Volunteer Coordinator), Mariela Montilla (Events Co Chair). Eileen Moore (ES Teacher Liaison). School administrators included: Leticha Fraser (MS1 School Leader) and Erin Acosta (Administration GUGCS Director of Family Engagement).

Pelin welcomed families to the meeting and put forth the agenda for the night's meeting.

May 2025 meeting minutes were approved

Sandy provided the PTO financial report for May 2025.

Pelin put out a call for volunteers to fill in the multiple PTO vacancies anticipated for the next school year 2025-2026. The vacancies include: 2 co-presidents, treasurer, volunteer coordinator, communications, secretary, and fundraising. Alternatively, there is a nominating committee for the various openings for the 2025-2026 school year. Eileen Moore will serve on the committee and we need 2-3 more volunteers.

Eileen provided an update on ES Teacher Liaison meetings with teachers and students. Teachers and staff want to hear from you! They brainstormed ways to have more teachers attend next year. In meetings with teachers, Eileen went over some parent responses from our earlier survey. Are you interested in serving as a Teacher Liaison? Reach out via email at [gugcspto@gmail.com](mailto:gugcspto@gmail.com).

Additionally, Pelin informed families that GUGCS has a few active Whatsapp groups:

SUPER VOLUNTEERS;

GENERAL;

and FREE SHOP

Our FaceBook page: GROWING UP GREEN CHARTER SCHOOL-LIC FAMILY GROUP for updates on events and other news

PTO also sends out newsletters to our families' listed email.

Pelin made an ask for families to donate uniforms our kiddos have outgrown or will no longer be using after graduating. Uniform donations will be accepted at both ES and MS campuses. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you!! We are especially asking 8th grade families who will no longer be using their uniforms.

Pelin expressed gratitude to all those who volunteered in the 2024-2025 school year. Thanks so much, we couldn't have done it without you.

Erin provided ES updates.

Governor Hochul passed a new law that prohibits electronic devices in schools during the school day (from bell to bell). This affects students in grades K-12 in public and charter schools. GUGCS is updating its policy to comply with the state mandate and will update families during the summer. The school handbook will also reflect the change.

Yearbooks will be distributed during the last week of classes.

All 5th and 8th graders receive a free yearbook copy as a gift.

Copies can be purchased in CASH. Please contact Ms Acosta via email: [acosta@gugcs.org](mailto:acosta@gugcs.org)

Uniform Sale via French Toast, 6/9-23 for 25% off logos and merch

\$1 Tarif flat fee added on orders made after 6/23

Donate old uniforms!

Alma re-registration–Thank you!

We had a great ice cream re-register event. If you have any questions please contact the school main office team.

Upcoming Events:

6/13: Coffee and Field Day

6/23-27: Spirit Week!

6/25: Report Cards sent home

6/27: 5th grade Closing Ceremony

Our kids were going on field trips all over the city and showcased their artwork at the “I am an Artist” art show.

5th graders had a ball during their overnight trip.

MS School Leader Leticha Fraser provided an update on the following events:

6/12 & 13: 7th grade Bikes at Roosevelt Island & Brooklyn Botanical Garden

6/13: End of Spring Clubs

6/17 &18: 8th Grade Regents

6/17: 7th grade Bowling

6/18: 6th Grade Roller Rink

6/20: MS Block Party Color Wars

6/20 -27 Dress Down Day

6/24: 8th Grade Grad Practice and Picnic

6/25: 7th Grade goes to Hamilton!

6/26: 8th Grade Graduation

6/27: 8th Grade Breakfast

Meeting ended at 7:39pm

Attendees: 19

Pelin Gurer (Co-President, Aslan 503, Kartal 103)

Julie Thibault-Dury (Co President, Adam 8th)

Tania Perdomo (Dillon 501)

Mariela Montilla (Events Co Chair; Journee 103)

Myrna Tinoco (Secretary; Vida 502)

Eileen Moore (ES Teacher Liaison; Simon 3rd, Anna 8th)

Sandy Satenik Barkhudaryan (Treasurer; David 5th)

Erin Acosta (GUG Dir of Family Engagement and Communications)

Leticha Fraser ( MS School Leader)

Daria Malakhova (Nadya 501 and Lydia 203)

Delilah Mojica (Lovo 7th Grade)

Nicholas (Ripley 402)

Jazmin

Maria Gill

Riva

Michelle Kingsberry

Sebastian Brito

Betsy Rojas

Susana Garcia

May Meeting Minutes Provided by Myrna Tinoco, PTO Secretary

Myrna Tinoco