

Ben Milam PTO Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2018

I. President, Sarah Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm., and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. The minutes from the October PTO meeting were read by Annie Holand Miller. Minutes were approved.

II. Officer Reports

A. . President's Report—Sarah Meyer

1. Jason Dunn, McHi Band Director, spoke to our group about the value of music and arts to our children. He encouraged parents to explore the various arts programs and to help their students commit to them. For more information, feel free to contact Mr. Dunn at Jason.Dunn@mcallenisd.net.

2. A huge thank you to all for a very successful Fall Festival!

3. Tickets for the Milam Drawing will go home with students on Thursday, November 14. These ticket sales are very important because the funds we raise are used for fundraisers. Each student will receive one booklet of 10 tickets to sell. Each ticket costs \$5. Ticket money is due back by December 11th, and the drawing will be held at our Spirit Night at Luby's on December 13th. The grand prize is a \$1,000 pre-paid Visa gift card. All students who sell 1 ticket book will be invited to a DJ dance party. There will be prizes for the top sellers: 1st will receive a Versa Fitbit (worth \$200); 2nd will receive a Footlocker gift card (\$100 value); and 3rd will receive a Hydroflask H2O bottle.

2. Paver project –Lynse Guerra reported that we are almost sold out of benches (\$500 each), but there are still many pavers available. Pavers can be purchased for \$75.00.

B. VP Ways and Means - Laura Garza

1. Another huge thank you to all who helped make Fall Festival a huge success. We had more than \$25,710.00 in sponsorships alone!

2. Milam Spirit nights will be held on November 15th at Papa John's, and on December 13th at Luby's on North 10th.

C. VP Membership—given by Sarah Meyer—The classes that reached 100% PTO participation will have their parties in the next few weeks.

D. Treasurer's Report—Chhaka Bhakta

The Fall Festival numbers were as follows:

Sponsorships:	\$25,710.00
Ticket Sales:	\$19,330.00
Shirt Sales:	\$2,090.00
CC Sales:	\$1,086.42
Total Income:	\$48,216.42
Expenses:	(\$12,059.55)
Net Income:	\$36,156.87

We all work hard all year to raise money for the PTO. All of this money stays at Milam. We want to hear what our parents and teachers want to see at our campus. We really encourage any ideas you have to be submitted to the suggestion box at the front office.

E. Hospitality – given by Sarah Meyer

Please sign up to help with Teacher Birthday lunches. Also, a reminder that holiday lunch for Milam staff will take place on December 14.

IV. Announcements

1. Please be sure to sign in for today's meeting.
2. We are so thankful to our veterans for their service.

V. Program – 2nd grade program: Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Closner.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.