Bellaire General PTO Meeting – March 19, 2026

(Meeting conducted at Bellaire High School-LG1)

Call to Order: President Tricia Onufer and Tiffany Morrisette called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Attendance: Tricia Onufer, Tiffany Morrisette, Julie Goldberger, Dawn Pennington, Kenya Ellis, Jennifer Deenen, Liz Rich

President Report (Tiffany Morrisette): .

- Attendees welcomed and asked to check in via QR code provided.
- Currently receiving Spring Grant requests from teachers which is an ongoing support for school programs and initiatives.
- Recognized and thanked corporate sponsors for their continued support of Bellaire High School programs and events

PTO Board Reports

Treasurer (Dawn Pennington and Sydney Spear):

- Financial overview as of **February 28, 2026**:

Fundraising	Goal	Actual (K)
Annual Campaign	75	105
Soiree (8K ticket sales, 15.1K auction, -4.5K expenses)	12.5	18.6
Homecoming	10	16
Food	9	3.8
Total	**106.5**	**143.4**

Expenses	Budget (k)	Actual (K)
Administrative	7.8	4.8
Staff Support	77	48.5
Student Support	33.5	11
Total	**118.3**	**64.3**

- Overall, the PTO remains in a strong financial position, allowing continued support of grants, programs, and upcoming events.

VP of Budget and Finance (Bara Reyna): Nothing to report

VP Fundraising (Annual Campaign) (Valerie Davis and Melissa Bayne): Nothing to report

Corporate Sponsor Chair (Mary Flippen): Nothing to report

VP Communications (Liz Rich): Nothing to report

VP School Relations (Allison Rudin and Jennifer Deenen):

- Mardi Gras Cardinal Soiree was a success and exceeded expectations
    - Soiree: Goal: $12,500, Actual: $18,600

Secretary (Kenya Ellis):

- Presented the General PTO Meeting Minutes from February.

Parliamentarian (Cindy Wu): Nothing to report

Past President (Julie Goldberg): Nothing to report

President-Elect (Tricia Onufer):

- Coffee with the Principal
    - April 14, 2026 at 9:00 AM in the Library
- PTO General Meetings
    - May 14, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the LGI

Upcoming Events

- Mr. Bellaire
    - Date announced: Sunday, April 19, 2026.
- Study Abroad Updates
    - Ms. Chapman, Clubs and Study Abroad Coordinator, presented information regarding study abroad opportunities.
    - Summer Study Abroad Scholarships
        - CIEE scholarship application deadline extended to April 1, 2026.
        - Students may still apply for participation and financial support.
        - Application support available March 24 during Cardinal Hour in Room 2712
    - CIEE Programs
        - Bellaire High School has received over $341,074 in scholarships over the past decade.
        - Approximately 100 students have participated in study abroad programs.
        - Programs include language immersion, volunteer/service opportunities, and career-focused experiences.
    - EF Spring Break Study Abroad
        - Students recently returned from an educational tour of Greece
        - Future Trips
            - **2027 Trip:** Germany, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Hungary

- **2028 Trip:** France
- **Information Meeting**
    - Virtual meeting scheduled for April 9, 2026, at 7:00 PM via Teams.

President Elect Tricia Onufer adjourned the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Kenya Ellis, Secretary