# General In-Person Meeting
# September 9, 2025
# Minutes (Approved)

**Welcome:** Jen Banowetz Co-President

**Call to Order: Jen Banowetz at 7:00**

**Attendance and Approval of Minutes:** April 10, 2025, minutes approved.

**Officer Reports:**
**President Report** - Jen Banowetz
New this year was the Tiger Tailgate. Held the Friday before labor day; not too crowded but a steady stream of students with food, drinks, and prizes offered by PAWS. Got to see the new Tiger Tunnel that will be used by the football team for home games.

**Vice President of Communications Report** - Rachel Padron
Committees kick-off meeting held in August. All committees are staffed and ready to kick-off the year. For membership we are at 378 members. Newsletters are going out one-to-two times a week as needed.

**Vice President of Ways & Means' Report** - Mike Harbert.
Sponsorship is on track, have around $21K committed with a few new sponsors this year. Will open grants this month with $20K for the first half with submissions due to PAWS Board by November 1.

**Secretary Report** - Rosie Buchalski
Nothing to report.

**Treasurer Report** - Sridevi Mallu
Quarter of the way in with our revenue and ample funds on hand. Jen motions for approval of proposed 2025-2026 budget. Alayne seconded. Motion passed.

**Principal's Report** - Lorie Campos
Awesome start to the new year with Tiger Palooza with all students entering through the front entrance. Each lunch period gave seniors an opportunity to engage with underclassmen and gave away t-shirts to both the senior and partnered students. Nice kick-off with Tiger Tailgate as an alternative to TigerFest. Fall recognition parade for athletics and activities. Activity fair for incoming freshmen and also extended offer to sophomores, juniors, and seniors not actively involved in activities to get them connected. Counselors have been with all students about future planning. Pre-ACT will

be September 30. Signs of Suicide (SOS) program for Juniors today. Have very positive outcomes and experiences with this program. Program available to Freshman, Junior, and Seniors; sophomores cover the material in health. Focus this year has a teacher piece with lunch and learns focused on self-directed learners. The parking lot was restripped this summer and resulted in fewer spots. Will work on updated notice about remaining, if any, lottery spots. Are considering other options for where teachers/students park in the lots. On late arrival days, students can be dropped off in the back lot.

**New Business**

- PAWS ByLaws & Standing Rules Review Committee-Rosie Buchalski
  PAWS bylaws require a review and looking for volunteers. Did update the bylaws 2 years ago and do not anticipate a significant commitment to review. Traci Kantowski & Amy Graham volunteered and the document will be shared electronically. Alayne mentioned the rules requiring a review every 2 years are changing and wording can be changed regarding dues to refer to approval by "delegated body".

**Committee Reports**

- Outdoor Concessions - Tim Hertz & Amy Graham
  Not much of an update as no home football game yet but did receive email about the movie night during Homecoming week. Have volunteers for homecoming already. Maybe consider changing food options at Spring Concessions. Updates to restrooms; can send email to Lorie with request for recommendations and items to be purchased.

- Freshman Orientation - Shaifali Ray
  Overall went really well. Got really close to minimizing leftover pizza. Ordered about 95 with about 10 boxes leftover and those were given to staff and custodial staff. Tried using cups and athletic coolers but feedback was to go back to water bottles and considering having smaller bottled water next year.

- Directory - Rosie Buchalski reporting for Chris Preede
  Student roster isn't available from the district to update the directory. Based on past years, expect the list by the end of September.

- Football Parking - Mike Harbert
  On track with parking and will likely sell all 100 spots.

- Sport Passes - Rosie Buchalski reporting for Judi O'Connell
  255 households have purchased PAWS memberships with some type of sports pass included; that's 464 adults with sports passes in had. $20,710.00 has been

received; this includes PAWS membership fees so about $6,000 in sports pass revenue. This year we had two pick-up dates - the Fall athletic meeting and Curriculum night. Most passes were picked up then and about 50 passes were delivered. Only needed to mail out to 15 households. Expect a few more passes to be ordered for the first home football game in 2 ½ weeks and then more when basketball season starts in November. Cost for passes and envelopes totaled $123.00.

- Landscaping/Beautification - Katie Potts, Jen Holstein
  Jen purchased/installed solar lights for traditions trail and PAWS is looking to obtain signage to describe what the tradition trail is.

- Membership - Chris Preede
  Patron donations are lower than last year. Considerations to change or publicize what they are.

- Tiger Merchandise - Catherine Glover, Molly Korb

- Seasonal Activity Programs (Fall) - Kristi Macholl
  Has received all school photos but is looking for different shots for the cover to highlight seniors. Mike coordinating sponsor info and links as applicable.

- PAWS Sponsorships - Mike reporting for Suzie Weber & Sean McCumber
  Suzie & Sean will not be returning next year so looking for new volunteers for next year.

- Media Relations - Traci Kantowski
  Have the ability to reshare on Instagram and have been resharing a lot of information Lorie has posted. Going to try posting weekly home athletic events.

- Website - Traci Kantowski
  Continuing to make updates to the website to align with newsletters and are starting to see more traffic.

**Announcements**
Next PAWS General Meeting 7 p.m. November 13, 2025 at **WWS Commons**

**Adjournment of Meeting: 8:09 pm**