

AMANI SCHOOL PTA Meeting Minutes
MAY 20, 2026

Call to order/ Welcome

PTA President – Shaundell Wharton
Welcome
Introduction to meeting topics

Officer Reports

Presidents Update- Shaundell
Vice Presidents Report- Jessica (not in attendance)
Secretary's Report- Marina
Treasury's Report- Jackee

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Upcoming Events and Fundraising

Field Day- upcoming on June 18, 2026 at Brush Park. PTA will have donation towards support of the field day activities. Please look out for more school communication on this.

8th graders- upcoming activities for graduation, senior trip and prom

Parent Participation- Encouraging parents to come out and support the field day activities

Volunteer Policy- there are papers to sign for parents interested in volunteering for school activities and as chaperones

Secretary's Report

- Bylaws Discussion- Bylaws document was emailed to PTA members for review. For those who didn't review a hard copy was given during the meeting to review.
- Vote to accept- unanimous

Discussion on Parent Involvement in PTA

Budget and Finances

Note of thanks for Chick fil A fundraiser support

PTA Donations

- Chic Fil A- profit \$530 made. Contribution will be given to field day

- Potential Uniform drive- donate uniforms to those in need

Elections

- Nominations for Amani School PTA school year '26-'27
 - President nominee- Marina
 - VP nominee- Jackee
 - Secretary nominee- Sashelle Walker-Williams
 - Treasurer nominee - Elijah Gbotoe

Nominations accepted and carried.

Presentation of the new E Board committee for Amani PTA 26-27

Principals Report

Jennifer C.

- Field day- walking to brush park. K-1 grades cannot walk so they are looking into bus service or a park in walking distance
- Science expo – grades 5-9 this expo is a part of their quarter grade. Teachers are looking at collaboration, problem solving techniques and projects will be done in class time.
- Keep in mind- upcoming Kinder moving up ceremony
- Amani is Prepping for second grade- K 1,2 will be located on the lower floor
- Last day of school= June 25, 2026, June 26 is 8th grade graduation!
- Return to school notable dates and grade based orientation
 - Week of August 31- half day
 - Tuesday September 1
 - Wednesday September 2
 - Thursday September 3

Closing notes-

Principals to facilitate June meeting

Special guest to attend June meeting- Brandon Corley

Special Outreach strategy for families- Mama Fraser

Parent concerns:

Question- Sharing concern with how involved are parents with academic and school events?

Tamar Director of Finance- Parent participation is noted in Sing for Hope as chaperones, national junior honor society induction ceremony,

Questions/ suggestion on outreach- Parents can come in to present to PTA on different subjects, also translators have translator present, “each one bring one” to PTA event so each parent bring another parent.

Monica is here for Spanish translation

Suggestions- Send surveys to parents to gather information on why they are not coming to the meetings? Hybrid options are better? Or in person participation

Suggestions- Can there be Parent reps for each classroom? Can a parent Group Chat be created for each homeroom? Is this possible? They would be responsible for communications at the classroom level.

Jennifer- Parent rep she would have a conversation with Dr Stern to see if parent rep is possible

Suggestions-Can we look into schedule PTA meeting not to coincide with other major school events? Busy week for working parents

Jennifer- we will look into scheduling for PTA meeting as not to coincide with other major events

Last PTA is June 17, 2026

Special Guest Brandon Corely- Discussing a new charter high school in Mt Vernon