

# Garden City High School PTA Meeting Minutes

**Date:** November 17, 2025

**Location:** Virtual Meeting via Zoom

**Time:** 7:30 PM

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## 1. Call to Order

PTA Director **Donna Kraus** called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. Due to technical difficulties with Zoom, approval of the September meeting minutes was postponed to the next meeting.

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## 2. PTA Updates

- Encouragement to join **PTA and SEPTA**.
- **Sponsorship opportunities** remain open.
- Parents were reminded to check the **PTA website and newsletter** for updates.

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## 3. Senior Skit Night

A brief overview of early Skit Night planning was shared:

- **Leadership:** Skit Night will be chaired by **Donna Kraus, Lisa Brown, Beth Bushart, and Shawn Cohen**.
- **Mandatory Parent Meeting:** January 7 at 7:00 PM at the High School.
- **Social Media:** Dedicated **Facebook and Instagram** Skit Night pages will launch this week and will be shared with senior families via ParentSquare.
- **Volunteers Needed:**
  - **Critical need for parents with carpentry or construction skills** to assist Creative Director **Kristine Henry** in building larger set pieces.
  - Parents with these skills are urged to reach out as soon as possible.
- **SignUpGenius:** The first volunteer sign-up for subcommittees will be released shortly.

Donna noted that planning is already underway and the team is excited to create a memorable Skit Night for the Class of 2026.

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## 4. SEPTA Updates — Presented by Sivan Chapman

- Update provided on the upcoming SEPTA play.
  - Reminder to join SEPTA.
  - SEPTA's winter event has been **rescheduled to February 11, 2026**.
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## 5. School Updates — Presented by Mr. Steingruebner

- **Athletics:**
    - Boys Soccer — *Back-to-back NY State Champions*
    - Girls Field Hockey — *Nassau County Champions*
    - Girls Volleyball — *Advancing to States*
    - Football — *Broke the NY State consecutive win record and continues postseason play*
  - **Marching Band:** Recognized for strong competitive performances.
  - **Upcoming Events:**
    - **Pride & Prejudice** — November 20–22
    - **Junior Guidance/College Night** — November 20
    - **Sophomore Guidance Night** — December 3
    - **Field of Flags** — Veterans Day initiative
    - **Winter Concerts** — Throughout December and January
    - **Winter Wonderland** — December 19 for Juniors & Seniors
    - **Whole-School Community Read:** Book voting currently underway.
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## 6. Digital Citizenship Presentation — Dawn Dennis

- Update on this week's **NOSO (No Social Media November)** high school campaign.
  - Due to technical issues, the slideshow could not be displayed.
  - The **full presentation and Zoom recording** will be shared with these minutes.
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## 7. New Business

No new business or questions were raised.

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## 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at **8:15 PM** by Director **Donna Kraus**.  
Motion to adjourn was **approved by Deb Cupani** and **seconded by Dawn Dennis**.