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**COMMUNITY EVENT COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2025**  
Landsdowne Arms

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**Minutes**

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**Agenda:**

- Goodies with Grandparents
- Blood Drive
- Veterans Day

**Past Event:**

- Back To School Picnic
- Boo Hoo Yahoo

**Next Events:**

- Goodies with Grandparents - September 12, 2025
  - Lead: Brandy
    - She is all set per Cari
  - Food:
    - Pancakes
    - What do we think about flavored syrup? No. Need more sugar free syrup
    - Turkey sausage option
    - Less apple juice more water
    - Food warmers are going to get ordered.
  - For a quick overview – set up for these events is Thursday before the event to set up everything that is nonperishable. The morning of the event will start setting up about 6 am.
  - Volunteers: 2 greeters are still needed. Counters.



- Parking: Beverly will talk to Ben's brigade for help with parking. Teachers will be asked to park up top. We will have signs for parking
- The sandwich board will get set up that Monday and up the whole week.
- A big change for this year is that you cannot walk kiddos to class – will do a “kiss and go” and Kelley Marie says there will be aides at each staircase to make sure there is no sneaking.

### **Future Events**

- Blood Drive - November 7th
  - Blood mobile in the upper parking lot – they set up at 7am and blood draws start at 8 am and go through 1200.
    - Curtis can change now if needed.
  - 24 Spots available
  - Code is live now – can do a bitly link for shorter – BFAbloodDrive
  - Can give the code to anyone who can't make the drive date. Get it in the newsletter asap
  - Come on a full stomach
  - Can there be a reward for those who donate? YES double your volunteer hour – come for 1 hour, double that. Bring a friend (not bfa) get their hour doubled!
  - Attach it to veterans day
- Veterans Day - November 11th
  - Biggest event that we do. 70-100 vets come!
  - Ceremonies
    - We have one speaker, trumpeteer, k9s, the bag piper has never said yes but is always there.
    - Everyone is invited to join the ceremony
    - Two different ceremonies.
      - 4th – 8th grade, longer and more formal.
        - Fourth grade armed forces song, this year do 4-8th all learn army (last song) Caedance
      - K-3rd shorter, less formal.
  - Honor video – Becky doing – submit photos of vets
    - Figure out dates need all the items by
  - Email invite



- Volunteers
  - Lots of volunteer opportunities during veterans day.
  - Younger Grades Craft: Maria – will volunteer to do that. We will order supplies and Maria will get with grade leads to set it up.
  - Honor Wall: Marissa did all the wall of honor pinning last year that will save so much time for this year's set up. Will not need to put as much time on sign-up genius for this compared to last year.
  - Decorations: Sunday before we do a big decorating day. Then the day before we will set up the ceremonies – it will be back to back.
- Shannon will print slides – but also different this year – make a program for the veterans of the days events outline everything where to go and when
- Any other ideas?
  - Get more student involvement this year – have a student introduce things in the ceremony.
  - It would be nice to use the Student Council President more.
  - Consider turning the whole check in table into the students checking the vets in – one adult helper.
- Veterans will still be able to go into classes – only give the teachers a time slot so maybe 9 am or 1:30 restrict their times.
- T-Shirts –
  - Need to figure out if the PTO is doing the vet day tshirts again this year. Store opens on Friday. Need to figure it out.
  - Teachers are getting shirts soon so maybe can get an order in on that order
  - Beverly reach out to Haley

#### **Open Floor**

- n/a

#### **Action Items:**

- See notes above

**Next meeting:** October 1st, 2025 630 pm at Lansdowne Arms in Highlands Ranch