



# WALTER G. NORD SCHOOL

## Nord PTO Meeting Agenda November 14, 2022

**Meeting order: 9:05am**

**Attendance:**

**S. Bruce**

**T. Burich**

**K. Allen**

**D. Parsons**

**K. Sheldon**

**C. Thompson**

**M. Barb**

**A. Dougherty**

**A. Harigan**

**Principal Report: Mrs. Harigan**

- States Parade: Awesome, fun day. Marching Comets came too.
- Miracle on Mainstreet Parade – Any Nord kids can participate.
- Veteran’s Day – 5<sup>th</sup> grade video and artwork around the building.
- Molly Acheson – intervention specialist won the teacher of the month for the Ohio Lottery. Rec’d award.
- World Kindness Day – Tie Dye today, 11/14/22.
- Collaboration Days – Spent time with Math & Social Studies working on curriculum.
- Concerns from parents: Please reach out to Mrs. Harigan, private Facebook groups aren’t accessible. Any concerns need to reach out to the school, not just vent on socials.
- Playground update
  - No room for another gaga ball pit.
  - No room for concrete pad for 9 Square In The Air
  - How can we use the rest of \$10k dedicated to playground equip?
    - Non-permanent items
    - **There is room to add concrete for around the existing gaga ball pit.**
      - **Mrs. Harigan will talk to Chuck about moving forward with the concrete around gaga ball pit and schedule a meeting with Mr. Molnar for approval.**
      - **PTO to buy gloves for the kids to wear with gaga ball**
      - **Memorial Benches**
        - **East side of playground, 2 or 3 benches – would need to be backless due to other sports using the area for summer/spring sports.**
      - **2 Movable 9 square instead**
- Recess – purchasing additional equipment through Playground Budget.
- Fist Bump Friday’s – need speaker for car riders – possibly from Principal Fund, more research.
- Need Field Day dates, with rain dates
- Need Walk a thon date, with rain dates

**President Report: S. Bruce**

- Vote to waive the reading of minutes.
  - Motion to waive the reading of the September 2022 minutes made by: TB made a motion.
  - Motion seconded by: KA seconded.
  - Motion: carries
- Teacher grant request change: Tabled until we can revise bylaws.
- Teacher grant requests
  - Acheson – Auditory feedback phones for reading groups and magnetic wands for structured literacy groups. \$40.60, \$23.85.

- Krichbaum (social worker) - Lunch bunch/social groups - \$150 for different tools, fidgets, convo starter dice, problem solver.
  - Ask for community donations
  - Motion to approve above grants by TB, seconded by KA. All in favor? Motion carries.
- Pear Deck software request from Mrs. Liming.
  - Subscriptions length.
  - Cost - \$2522.88
  - Will they be asking for this annually or just for one year?
  - Why won't the district purchase? – Denied from the district as it's too expensive. They are asking us to buy premium.
  - All Nord teachers will have access, to use any class/any students. Can't guarantee all staff will use it. Once we have premium, it'll allow more features so staff may be more likely to use it. Mrs. Swartz would provide training. Possibility they'll request again last year.
  - Push until next month for Mrs. Harigan to do some additional research.

**Treasurer Report:** *D. Parsons*

- Bank Balance - \$42,695.88
- QuickBooks Balance - \$42,695.88
- Outstanding Balance - + \$292 waiting on transfer to clear in bank (apparel)
- Bookfair Profits – Save \$800 of scholastic dollars for Mrs. Wagner.
  - Took the 2022 sale in case. Use \$1800, split between ELA staff for the purchase of books. Mrs. Harigan will present the idea to staff and give feedback next month.

**Secretary:** *A. Dougherty*

- Please sign attendance sheet

**Apparel Sale:** *A. Dougherty*

- First check rec'd: \$292 profit
- For Christmas gifts, orders need to be in by 11/28.
- Requested they add - winter headband, some new designs for shirts, scarf, tie dye cloth backpack. Requested PJ pants – Very expensive, vendor couldn't commit to all sizes and didn't love the patterns. Chose to pass.
- Look into: lanyard and coffee mug (yeti), typical coffee mug, Powerful Comets shirt

**Social Events:** *M. Barb*

- Dates for dances
  - Mrs. Harigan to talk with BLT. Usually March/April, dances are back-to-back, mom & son or dad/daughter
  - Girls Saturday 6p-8p, Boys Friday 7p-9p
  - Poll the kids for dance themes during lunches, pick 5 and let kids vote.

**Marco's/Dine to Donate:** OPEN (DP until position is filled)

- Marco's
  - 11/1 Pizza Night update
    - Liming class won with 4 orders - profit was \$72.00
  - Remaining Marco's nights are 12/6, 1/3, 2/7, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2
- Chick-Fil-A – New opportunity
  - Once a week. Person rep, spirit night. We get 10%
    - AJH participating, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month
    - Nord participation? – See how Marco's does next month decide how to proceed.

**Membership:** *D. Parsons*

- Need to be a paid member to vote and hold a chair/co-chair position

**Reading Club:** *A. Messer*

- Prizes have been ordered for Nov, Dec and January

**Staff Appreciation:** *K. Allen*

- Updates?
  - November – Pies on cart week of thanksgiving
  - December – still planning.

**PBIS** *Mr. Doehr/M. Barb*

- No longer need this chair position. – From now on move to Principal Report.

**Community Support:** *T. Burich*

- Second Harvest Food Drive – Results
  - Powers won – 1578# of food, 1317 meals
  - AJH/Nord – 1304# of food, 1033 meals
  - Total – 2882# of food, 2350 meals
- Spring – previously did a change collection, perhaps find a new organization. Mrs. Harigan to ask BLT how they could work counting the change into Math lessons.

**Community Fundraising:** *D. Parsons*

- Wizards result – Assuming we receive \$900 Nordson check, profit for all 3 schools is \$4966.
- Kalahari Update – Vouchers for \$25 to be used anytime until 12/31/23. Can't use on Saturday or holidays, spring break, etc.
  - Regular price is \$50.
  - Tickets cost \$15, earn \$10 per voucher.
  - Only available to purchase on cheddar up.
  - 11/21-12/2 – Tickets sent home through school.
  - Send flyer to Mrs. Harigan to print.
    - Go home as soon as they're printed.

**Open Discussion**

- **Donations for a calming corner for self-regulation.**
- **Possibly add Field Day shirts**
- **Possibly add 5<sup>th</sup> grade sendoff shirt, like the shirts 4<sup>th</sup> graders got in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:44am**

**Future Meeting Dates:** Next meeting will be December 12th at 9:00am