

## Minutes

MEETING SUMMARY				
Meeting Title	PTO General Meeting	Date	January 4, 2023	
Meeting Called By	L.Halfman , President	Location	Virtual Microsoft Teams	
Notes Issued By	D. Fakhouri, Secretary	Time	6:00 PM	

MEETING PARTICIPANTS					
PTO Board	L. Halfman A. Bluhm A. Barauskas D. Gilman D. Fakhouri	Staff Absent	B. Canfield A. Hazergian S. Fraga T. Barauskas		

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

- 1. Updates:
  - Treasurer:
    - o Monthly budget update will be posted on school website
    - Any necessary changes were reviewed.
    - The PTO opened a credit card at Hunting bank to earn a free 500\$, will be added in the next months.
  - President:
    - Review of PTO Bylaws PTO is looking to form a committee, need 2 more PTO members please email Lisa at Lisa.halfman.gm.com if interested. The tentative plan is to post review and if necessary, revise and the PTO vote at March meeting.
    - PTO is also looking to establish a nominating committee for upcoming PTO board elections. Please email Lisa if interested in being a part of the committee.
      - Job descriptions of chairpersons to be posted and are forthcoming. Consideration of current chair positions to write a short description of roles to assist.
  - Co-Vice President:
    - Valentine's Day Party Snack will be the Lofthouse cookies same as before (Peanut and tree free bakery, also sesame free). The PTO will also provide an alternative snack to accommodate other allergies (teachers can request on an as needed basis). Question was asked by a parent about parents providing other foods for party. At this time school is requesting there to NOT be other foods included. This can help support students with allergies and continue to work towards equity among classrooms.
  - Committee Updates:
    - MIRM/Pancake Event: Ellen Strom/Schroeder staff the pancake event will now be combined with MIRM, details coming as activities are currently being planned by staff. District wide theme – 1 Book 1 School. Looking to provide a chapter book to all families at the start of the month. QR codes will most likely be distributed to families where the teachers are each reading chapter throughout the month (similar to last year). An informal request for PTO to

help offset cost for bringing in the author to speak to students. Final plan for MIRM coming soon, PTO will reassess costs needed to assist when final plan is determined.

- Room Parent: J. Bellini Email will be coming to room parents regarding the Valentine's Day parties, stay tuned.
- Skate World: G. Connor shared potential dates for event. It was determined by PTO that the date that works best was Wednesday Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>. Questions was asked why no Fridays or Sat. events. Skate world does not allow party rental on weekend days. Flyer will be coming soon in Dragon Journal with Skate World event information.
- 2. New Business:
  - Discuss and review class parties
- 3. Old Business:
  - Outlined roles of chairpersons to help encourage volunteerism.
- 4. All else:

**Upcoming Events:** 

- ~ Jogathon popsicle party for donations of \$100 or more this Friday 1.6.23
- ~ Next Bagel Day Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
- ~ Valentine's Day Parties Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, Time TBD
- ~ Next General PTO Meeting: March 1st 2023