

## Granger Elementary PTO Zoom Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, March 16, 2022

The Granger Elementary PTO held their third meeting of the 2021-2022 school year on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 9:30am.

Those present were: Co-President Sara Welch, Vice President Vanessa Villers, Secretary Sandy Noall, Principal Dr. LeAnn Gausman, PTO Teacher Liaison Jeremie Pesek, Superintendent Mrs. Catherine Aukerman, Shannon Just, Rachel Ross, Beena Persaud

Co-President, Sara Welch, called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

The first item of business per the agenda was welcoming those in attendance and brief introductions.

**Principal's Report:** Principal, Dr. LeAnn Gausman, shared that registration for new students has opened. She thanked committee chairs for the Father Daughter Dance (up-coming on March 18<sup>th</sup> with over 350 registered to attend), Book Bingo (rescheduled to March 25<sup>th</sup> due to a snow day on the original date) and Talent Show (up-coming on May 6<sup>th</sup> with almost 100 kids registered). LeAnn thanked PTO for conference dinners, k-cup donations and the donations for indoor recess items. Dr. Gausman also noted the following up-coming Granger events/dates:

- State testing dates for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders- can be found in the monthly newsletter communication
- March 24- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade music program on the new school stage
- April 7<sup>th</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade music programs on the new school stage
- June 6<sup>th</sup>- Granger Challenge will take place at the new school
- Grade level field days will take place during the last week of school
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell will take place during the last week of school on the field to the side of the school building
- June 25<sup>th</sup>- Granger Bi-Centennial will take place. More information will be shared in upcoming newsletters. Granger students and families are all invited to attend.

**Teacher's Report:** PTO Teacher Liaison, Jeremy Pesek, thanked the PTO on behalf of the staff for the conference meals and the k-cup replenishment to each grade level pod.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer, Vanessa Villers, reported that the current PTO bank account balance is \$29,277.67 and included an update of income and expense items since the last PTO meeting held on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Amazon Smiles we made \$112.65

K-cup coffee pods for teachers \$180

Conference night dinner (waiting to hear back from event chair, Monica Rizzo, for amount)

Playground equipment \$250

Father Daughter Dance: Income- \$2,555 / Expenses- \$675 and counting (DJ \$275-J magic

Productions & Photo Booth \$200-First Choice Photography)

### **Current Committee Reports:**

**Granger Directory-** Co-President, Sara Welch, reported for Co-President, Lisa Boucher, that the directory is almost complete with 211 entries and should be ready to print in the next 1-2 weeks and send home with students.

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Father Daughter Dance- Sara Welch reported for Stephanie Manning that the Father Daughter Dance is this Friday 6:30pm-8:30pm and there are still many volunteer positions or areas to donate. Please see the link on the Granger PTO Facebook page to sign up if able!

Book Bingo- Sara Welch reported for Sara Jackson that due to a snow day on the original date Book Bingo has been rescheduled for 3/25 6:30-8pm in cafeteria. No registration is needed to attend.

Talent Show- Sandy Noall shared that nearly 100 kids have signed up. The event is scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> and will take place on the new school stage! The committee will offer t-shirts, program ads, a keepsake video and star grams as in previous years. The 2<sup>nd</sup> rehearsal is coming up on 4/5.

School Supply Kits- Sara Welch shared that the school supply kit store is turned on for orders through June 30<sup>th</sup>. The website advertises free ship to home, but there is an additional \$7.99 cost built in for this service so Granger PTO has opted to only offer delivery to the school. The PTO receives \$5 from each kit sold. Flyers are ordered and will go home with students in April.

Staff Appreciation Week- May 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Sara Welch reported for Rachel Ross that the theme will be related to "Teachers Raising the Bar." Each day will have a fun bar (yogurt bar, ice cream bar, candy bar, trail mix bar, BBQ food truck). Volunteers please email if willing to help!

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Finale- Erin Gross is the chair. Sara shared this no longer has to be a picnic as in previous years, but it can include food since it will be outside. A date has not been set, but it will be the final week of school. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Clap Out may take place on the same day.

Plant Sale- Melissa Wood is the chair this year. Dates were not given yet. PTO will need a new chair next year. Melissa will leave info for who/when to contact the nursery.

Granger Challenge- June 3<sup>rd</sup> (in the morning). Lacie O'Daire is chairing the event again this year. The event will be held at the new Granger since the middle school is now a greater distance. Volunteers are needed to help with the planning. LeAnn has reserved the Hornet mascot. May consider a DJ. The format will still be three turn-in dates with prizes awarded for each.

End of the Year Carnival- June 10<sup>th</sup> Vanessa Villers volunteered to serve as chair and Beena Persaud volunteered to help. It was noted that the previous chair has excellent notes and layout of stations-most things we need are in the PTO closet. The event will take place all outdoors with games and activities at Granger. The food/lunch portion of the event is removed.

Mother Son Night- Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm Sara Welch reported that the chair, Kim DeSimone, is organizing an Akron Rubber Ducks game. Flyers will be coming sent home with students soon.

### **Old Business:**

-Sara Welch reported that PTO donated \$250 towards the purchase of indoor recess supplies. \$250 had been budgeted for outdoor recess supplies, but it was requested that the funds be used for indoor recess supplies instead.

-Sandy Noall reported on the spirit wear sale. The sale is currently open and orders are online only. Items are still on track to be sent home with students or picked up from the school office depending on the parents' preference indicated in ordering during the week of April 4<sup>th</sup>.

-Co-Presidents Sara Welch and Lisa Boucher have been advised to create a new board position for "Santa Shop Treasurer" which will allow the chair of the Santa Shop event to be covered by the Granger PTO's crime bond. The current event chair, Lindsay Limperos, is aware and okay with this decision. Moving forward, PTO will consider how to reimburse the chair of this event in payments prior to the event.

-Sara Welch encouraged everyone to follow the "Granger Elementary PTO" Facebook page to stay up to date on PTO happenings.



**New Business:** Sara Welch shared that Danielle Mixon has agreed to chair the scholastic book fair next year.

Thank you!

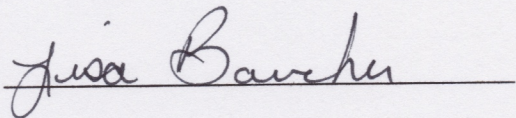
**Other Orders of Business:**

PTO Secretary, Sandy Noall, shared that the previous meeting minutes from January 19, 2022 have been posted on the school's website under the Granger PTO tab.

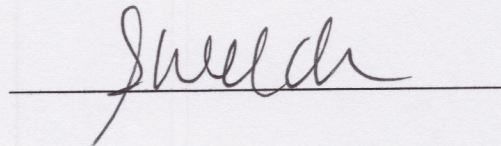
Sara Welch shared that COSI will not happen this year due to COVID and that COSI still hasn't shared information about their programming.

**Adjourn Meeting:** Vanessa Villers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Beena Persuad. Co-President, Sara Welch, adjourned the meeting at 10:25am.

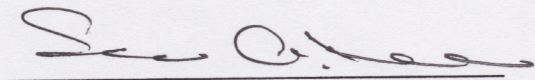
**\*\*Next PTO meeting zoom meeting May 18, 2022 at 9:30am\*\***



Co-President Lisa Boucher



Co-President Sara Welch



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