

PTO Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2023
6:30 pm Room A101 and Virtual (Zoom)

- Attendees: Barb Rodruan, Jennifer Placeway, Jackie Jones, Sabrina Parraga, Melissa Clingan, Mr. Paynter, Ms. Marolli, Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. McMechen, Laura Storch, Gwendolyn Christian, Brandy Cromley, Kristin Marone, Jasmine Rodriguez, Larissa Whitney, Elizabeth Williams, Jen Fox, Christie Kleinfelter, Amy Kopp
- Approval of May meeting minutes: 1st Jackie Jones, 2nd Elizabeth Williams
- Report from the Teacher Representatives: Mrs. McMechen and Mrs. Gamble thanked volunteers for helping Kdg., first week adjustments, and chalk the walk; please reach out anytime if we need anything communicated to teachers.
- Principal's Report: Mr. Paynter thanked everyone for helping with beginning of year - chalk the walk, arrival, dismissal, lunch help, Kdg. breakfast - it is appreciated to have helping hands, especially as the school is short on support staff this school year. If anyone is interested in working during school hours while their kids are at school, please reach out to the district for application. Back to School night is this Thursday 6-8 pm. One School One Book is typically held every other year - the coordinator is possibly not doing that this year - maybe a cultural community event instead? Mrs. Marolli thanked the board for sponsoring a Baron's Best prize.
- Treasurer's report - Amazon Smile ended, so no income from that anymore. We pulled \$10,000 out of a money market account to put towards the school this school year. Spirit wear shirt sales goal is to raise \$1,800. Discussed this year's expenses as laid out in the 2023-24 budget provided to attendees.
 - Approval of the 2023-24 PTO Budget: 1st Brandy Cromley, 2nd Laura Storch
 - The first teacher mini grant was submitted from a 2nd grade teacher for the entire school to use, Super Teacher Worksheets - \$375 for 1-year renewal. Historically PTO has covered this renewal cost each year in the past. The board voted to amend the budget and make this a line item for this year instead of using mini-grant funds.
- Old business:
 - Carnival - a huge thank you to Kerri Mateer for another amazing carnival! This will be her last year with an elementary student, so we need some people to step up into that role, ideally to help Kerri this year and then coordinate the following year.
 - 4th grade graduation - went well and it helped to spread out food tables and photo ops.
 - Kdg. breakfast and Kdg. Meet and Greet - all of the welcoming opportunities help incoming Kindergartners and families with the transition into school.
 - Chalk the Walk - huge success, encouraging phrases.
- New business:
 - New this year - PTO public meetings will be held every other month. PTO Board will still send out monthly emails and meet with admin every month. Parents can reach out anytime if there's not enough communication.
 - PTO volunteer interest form - was sent home with students last week. Room parent deadline of Sept. 19.

- Scholastic news - has arrived - we purchase with Scholastic dollars from book fair.
 - Spirit wear - short sleeve and long sleeve shirt options for students and adults - the website has specifics about sizing. Order forms going home with students this week. Orders must be in by Sept. 25 so kids can wear them for Fun(d) Run if they want.
 - Picture day - Tuesday, September 26
 - Outdoor movie night - Friday, September 29
 - Fall book fair - September 29-October 6. More details to come.
 - Race for Education - Thursday, October 19 (rain date October 20) - now called the Fall Fun(d) Run. We hope to raise \$25,000 - that would be every student bringing in \$40. Please let Barb Rodruan know if you know of any businesses that would be willing to donate. Spectators will be allowed to come and watch that day.
 - Holiday craft - Friday Dec. 8 - initial planning meeting in a couple weeks to select crafts and order and make samples. Elizabeth Williams is chairing this event.
- Next public PTO meeting will be Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in Room A101 or Virtual (Zoom)