

Lincoln Elementary - March PTA Board Meeting

03/13/24 @6:30pm



I. Call to Order –

Annie Lahoda 6:32p
Second Jaime DeCecco
Third Kate Sweeney

II. Review of November Meeting Minutes

[January Lincoln PTA Meeting Agenda - Google Docs](#)

III. Executive Board Member Reports

- 1st VP - Annie Lahoda
- 2nd VP- Katie Mikita
- 3rd VP- Andrea Goeringer
- 4th VP- Dr. Kitsko
 -  PTA meeting Principal's Report 3/13/2024
- Recording Secretary- Jaime DeCecco
 - Committee Chair Reports- See Below
- Corresponding Secretary- Laura Drozynski
- Historian- Anna Rutledge
- Staff Representatives- Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Aaron
 - Thank yous for Week of Service, Zoomobile 1st Grade, Snack Trolley
- President- Lorraine May (PTA Council Updates)
- Treasurer- Kate Sweeney
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IV. Old Business

- Room to store Yearly Event Supplies

V. Committee Reports

Cultural Arts- Cate Albu

- Josh and Gab - October 4th - \$800
- Jeff the Geode Guy- November - \$95
- Book Break Subscription - \$1,175
- Carnegie Science Center- Build it to Blastoff- \$775
- Laser Show - May - \$1,230
- Playground Mural - \$1,200 + \$30 for lunch gift card

TOTAL TO DATE- \$2845 (Budget \$5500)

Field Trips - Kate Sweeney

- 5th Grade - Pittsburgh Zoo and Aquarium, Meadowcroft Village
- 4th Grade – Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens, Symphony
- 3rd Grade- Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Heinz History Center, Bird Park
- 2nd Grade- Walking Tour of Mt. Lebanon, Phipps Conservatory and Symphony
- 1st Grade- South Park, Meadowcroft Village, Zoo Mobile

- Kindergarten- Simmons Farm

Upcoming Field Trips

- 4th Grade- Heinz Hall (March)
- 3rd Grade- Heinz History Center (April)
- 2nd Grade- Phipps Conservatory (April)

TOTAL SPENT TO DATE \$5,384 (Budget \$8000)

Corporate Rewards, Fundraising & 5th Grade Fundraising- Joanna Streets **YEAR ROUND**

September:	Primantis Bros. Dine to Donate 09/06/23 (booked): \$51.49 Philly Pretzel Factory 09/15/23: \$225.23 Kona Ice 09/27/23 (booked): \$103.00
October:	Urban Air North Fayette 3pm-7pm 10/06/23 (booked): \$34.66 Chipotle Night 10/09/23: \$299.24 SPIRIT WEAR (Fall 2023): \$744.45
November:	Madsen Donuts 11/03/23 (booked): \$154.83
December:	Philly Pretzel Factory 12/8/23: \$165.69 Moe's Southwest Grill Taco Kits 12/19/23: \$300.00
January:	Sarris Candy: opens 1/5/24 and closes 3/22/24 (\$439.27 as of 03/05/24)
February:	Mediterra Cafe 02/05/24: \$179.00
March:	Philly Pretzel Factory 03/01/24: \$134.77 SPIRIT WEAR (Spring 2024):
April:	Madsen Donuts 04/05/24 (booked): Chipotle Night 04/24/24 (booked):
May:	Millie's Ice Cream 05/08/24 (booked) - Nicole Blooming Dahlia 05/10/24 (booked):
June:	Kona Ice 06/06/24 (booked):

Total Raised: \$3,163.65 (as of 03/05/24)



Lincoln Weeks of Service - Jaime DeCecco

February 12th- 16th

With the help of YOUR donations, YOUR time and YOUR talents, YOU are able to donate...

- ****100 cards and gift bags to our senior friends at Baptist Manor****
 - Delivered and Thank you Cards were sent back by residents!
- ****100 cards and gift bags to local refugee families through Jewish Family and Children's Services**
 - Joy Givens delivered to schools and families she works with and they were very appreciative!
- ****Thousands of diapers already repacked in smaller quantity bags ready for distribution at South Hills Interfaith Movement** 334 pounds of diapers delivered to the SHIM Food Pantry!**
- ****80 Jared Boxes filled with coloring books, toys, and goodies to provide to kids at Children's Hospital South, Ronald McDonald House, and the Children's Home of Pittsburgh and Lemieux Family Center**** Boxes delivered to all three locations and generated lots of smiles!!
- ****AND our fifth graders learned all about The Foster Love Project and brainstormed ways to support this organization through the fifth grade service project, which will take place over the next couple months!!!** Next step is to have the 5th Graders vote on their project via Google Form week of March 18th and then get started!
- Thank you also to our many parent volunteers that helped the students, donated items in the past several school-wide drives and collections and cheered us on along the way. None of this awesome work could have been possible without YOU!! We look forward to next year!

Community Outreach- Katie Mikita, Anna Rutledge, Lorraine May**YEAR ROUND**

- October Halloween Costume Collection- Laura Palmieri
- October 'GotSneakers' Shoe Collection- Andrea Goeringer
 - Collected 8 large bags of sneakers – \$126.50
 - Spring collection currently ongoing
- Food Drive for Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank and SHIM-Collected/donated 564 lbs of food!
- Week of Service Drives (December and January) and Week of Service Projects- Update above
- UP NEXT: 5th Grade Community Outreach Project with Foster Love
 - Mid March we will create a google form for kids to pick their focus and start their marketing and organizing post spring break. Goal to complete the project in April.

Lunchtime Clubs- Jenny Bouriat**February 5th - March 1st**

- Thank you to Jenny for running a successful year of Lunchtime Clubs!!
- Lunch clubs ended the first week of March. We had 30 clubs and approximately 250 students participated. Thank you to all the parents who hosted clubs!!
- Please email jenny.bouriat@gmail.com if you have any feedback or ideas for next year!

Spelling Bee - Holly Minczeski**February 8th**

- Thank you to Holly for offering to Chair this year. Tentatively on board for 2025 and 2026.
- The winner of the Lincoln Spelling Bee was Preston Bloomburg and 1st Runner-Up was Silas Minczeski. Preston will continue on to a Scripps National Spelling Bee local competition.

Skating Party- Katie Mikita**February 19th**

- Thank you to Katie for organizing!

Lincoln Around the World Night- Joy Givens**February 29th**

- Awesome turnout! Thank you for promoting it in your circles.
- Mid-Winter Theme of 'koselig (KOOZH-lee), which is a Norwegian term that roughly translates to "coziness in the community" '.
- The Performances in Gym, Potluck Food, Cookie Table, and Crafts were all great!
- Ideas for next year. Feedback
[Survey \[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGyxkrTe3SzBnN9ZV_yhlumgJ8-84iHaoTdTFkFCgENfBtSQ/viewform?usp=sf_link\]\(https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGyxkrTe3SzBnN9ZV_yhlumgJ8-84iHaoTdTFkFCgENfBtSQ/viewform?usp=sf_link\)](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGyxkrTe3SzBnN9ZV_yhlumgJ8-84iHaoTdTFkFCgENfBtSQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)
 - Possibly looking to move to Fall time frame – Joy to give Dr. Kitsko a few dates

Book Fair – Cate Albu**March 6th-8th**

- Thank you Cate for continuing to gather volunteers all year for this!

Science Fair - Shelly Burr and Lea Tambellini**March 7th**

- Thank you to Shelly and Lea for coordinating another amazing Science Fair including cookies, high school volunteers making slime, Bill Nye videos and color sheets and SO MANY awesome student scientists! Congratulations to everyone who participated!
 - Slime was a huge hit and more high school volunteers would be great!

Homeroom Coordinators- Anna Rutledge/Lorraine May**YEAR ROUND**

- Homeroom Coordinator Thank You for Coordinating Volunteers thus far

Class Parties- Laura Drozynski**YEAR ROUND**

- Huge THANK YOU to Laura for all of her hard work!
- [Valentine's Day Party Feedback \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com) sent to Valentine's Party Volunteers and Teachers
- Donations of past games you may have, money to purchase new games/craft supplies, etc. are welcome!! Please email laura.drozynski@gmail.com to help
 - Recap of this year and ideas for next year

**Lincoln Tribute to Mrs. Majestic****YEAR ROUND**

- Thank you to families, staff and community for the \$440 collected for Mrs. Majestic's Mural.
- PTA gave \$60 and the Mural has started!

Kids of Steel- Mary Ullman**April 1st - May 5th**

Mary applied for and was granted a \$500 KOS Grant for 2024!

- Kids of Steel 1st-5th grade
- 15 kids per grade capped to reach approximately 75 kids total
- Half kids come Monday, half Wednesday and all on Friday

Talent Show - Kristin Bartone, Erin Rutter, Joy Givens, Emily Nalitz**Friday, April 19th**

- Theme "Decades of Talent"
- Auditions MARCH 20th from 5:30-8:30p
 - Acts must sign up in advance for an audition time slot
- New this year – Optional large group performance for each grade
 - Will need parent volunteers to help coordinate each act per grade!
- E-blast with large group sign ups and parent volunteer documents being sent today
- Mandatory rehearsal dates
 - Thursday April 4th large group rehearsal
 - Tuesday April 9th entire show rehearsal
 - Thursday April 18th dress rehearsal

Bingo Night- Lorraine May**Thursday, April 11th**

- Tickets, Bingo Games, Raffle Baskets, Reverse Auctions, Snack Shack
- Committee Members Needed! Email lorrainerosemay@gmail.com if you are able to help!
- Raffle Basket Items Welcome! Anything that you don't need or have extra of...pass it our way and we will make sure it goes to a great place! Collection has already started in Fan Room.
 - Arts and Crafts, Dolls, Legos, Books, Gift Cards, Games, Sports, Lebo, PGH Sports, etc.

Garden Committee and Earth Day - Heidi Ghildyal & Jeanne Marie Hannan **April 22nd-26th**

- Sneaker Drive - ongoing from now until Earth Day (Collection boxes in Front Lobby)
 - Athletic Footwear paired and tied by laces
- Earth Day
 - Family challenge, tips for treading lightly on the earth
 - Walk to School Week April 22nd-26th
- Walk to School Incentives - Bingo Cards, Recycling Events, Sneaker Collection and More!

- Jeanne Marie to discuss Garden plans and request volunteers to help both in planning and planting/harvesting/growing
- Budget currently set at \$300 but more like \$500 is needed
 - Possibility to get facilities or maintenance to help give mulch and soil
 - Possibility to get a grant from Whole Foods
 - Possibility to look into Grow Pittsburgh?
 - Possibility to look into a Sam's or Costco for donations?

Yearbook- Maggie Shiels

- Order forms being sent this week. Paper and Google Form options. CASH, CHECK and VENMO payment options.
- **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated to the Read-A-Thon for making this year's Yearbook
Price: \$15 per book!
- lebolincolnyearbook@gmail.com – please email with cute kid pics from Lincoln kids so that they can be included in the yearbook!!!

Staff Appreciation- Lorraine May and Katie Mikita

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- Staff Appreciation Week - **May 6th - May 10th**
 - Working on ideas and will focus on this post Spring Break

Ice Cream Social- Katie Mikita

May 21st

- Emailed Ryan @ Betsy's to see about doing the same setup as previous years. Waiting to hear cost to compare to budget available and availability.

Grand Finale – Lorraine May

June 5th

- Dr. Kitsko and committee meeting in the next few weeks to coordinate events and supplies. Look forward to signups at the next PTA Meeting!

Maker Space- Andrea Goeringer and Katie Mikita

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- Maker Space is currently on mobile carts for teachers and students to access due to space and classroom limitations in the school
- Dr. Friez met with Conover Family recently who has offered to re-expose staff to the Makerspace and what the District is doing to help promote it

Fifth Grade Committee - Christie Schoen

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- Spiritwear- Annie Lahoda (**Spiritwear Sale ends tomorrow!**)
- Pool Party and Clap Out- Megan Kupchella and Becky Loughney
- Field Day- Christie Frederick
- Outreach- Anna Rutledge, Lorraine May, Katie Mikita

Membership- Annie Lahoda and Lorraine May

- PTA Membership Drive - 275 students whose families have joined the PTA.
 - 65% of Families and 74% of Staff
 - Lincoln Directory- If you paid dues and have not received one, let us know

Read-A-Thon- Shelagh Milburn and Christie Schoen

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- HUGE THANK YOU to Shelagh, Christie, Team Kitsko and Team Staub!
- \$25,593 to date; we will collect \$20,474

- Shelagh will need a Co-Chair for next year- Please let us know if you are interested!

Frosty Shop- Kim Tranquilli and Lorraine May

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- Workshops to start in June. If you have any ideas or feedback for next year we would love to hear it. In the meantime please recruit your friends and grab anything on Freebo!

VI. New Business

Nominating Committee - Katie Mikita

- Committee Volunteers (3)
 - Jaime DeCecco
 - Shelagh Milburn
 - Jackie Smith
 - Motion to Elect these 3 volunteers to the Nominating Committee
 - Katie Mikita- Motion
 - Lorraine May- Second
 - Annie LaHoda- Third
- Open Positions
 - Vice President
 - Historian
 - Recording Secretary
 - President
 - Treasurer
- 2024-2025 Slate presented in April and voted on in May

VII. Upcoming Events

3/13/2024	Lincoln PTA meeting	6:30 pm
04/10/24	Lincoln PTA meeting	6:30pm
04/11/24	Lincoln PTA Bingo Night	6:00-8:00 pm
04/19/24	Talent Show	5:30pm
5/6/2024 to 5/10/2024	LES Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week	all day
5/8/2024	May PTA Meeting	6:30 pm
5/10/2024	Kindergarten Orientation	6:30 pm
5/13-5/17/2024	AG LAB	
5/21/2024	Ice Cream Social	7:00-8:30 pm
6/5/2024	Grand Finale	All-day
6/7/2024	Fifth Grade Clap Out	11:45 am

2023 General Meeting Dates - All Meetings begin at 6:30pm and are held in Cafeteria

- September 13th, November 8th, January 10th, March 13th, April 10th, May 8th

VIII. Adjourn -

Motion to Adjourn – Annie LaHoda at 7:31p

Second – Lorraine May

Third – Jaime DeCecco

