

Lincoln Elementary - April PTA Board Meeting

04/10/24 @6:30pm

I. Call to Order –

6:33 Lorraine May

II. Review of March Meeting Minutes

[March 2024 Lincoln PTA Meeting - Google Docs](#)

Motion: Lorraine May

Second: Andrea Goeringer

Third: Katie Mikita

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 4/10/2024](#)
- Recording Secretary- Jaime DeCecco
 - Committee Chair Reports- See Below
- Corresponding Secretary- Laura Drozynski
- Historian- Anna Rutledge
 - To send Committee Reports to Committee Chairs to submit prior to year end
- Staff Representatives- Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Aaron
- President- Lorraine May (PTA Council Updates)
- Treasurer- Kate Sweeney
 - [02.26.24 BTA.xlsx](#)



IV. Old Business

V. Committee Reports

Nominating Committee - Katie Mikita

- Committee Volunteers (3) - Preparing a Slate for April's General Meeting next week- Vote in May
 - Jaime DeCecco
 - Shelagh Milburn
 - Jackie Smith
- Final proposed slate
 - President - Annie LaHoda
 - Treasurer - Lorraine May
 - 1st Vice President - Ali Tirpak
 - 2nd Vice President - Andrea Goeringer
 - 3rd Vice President - Katie Mikita
 - Historian - Dana DiDonato
 - Recording Secretary - Alyssa Jones
 - Corresponding Secretary - Laura Drozynski
- Voice Vote taken – passed unanimously with all Yes!

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 - \$1,248
- Playground Mural (May 29th) - \$1,230 - to be paid
- Teacher Retirement Murals - \$440

TOTAL TO DATE- \$4,438(Budget \$5500)

Field Trips - Kate Sweeney

- 5th Grade - Pittsburgh Zoo and Aquarium, Meadowcroft Village
- 4th Grade – Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens, Symphony, Heinz Hall
- 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, Aviary

Upcoming Field Trips

- 2nd Grade- Phipps Conservatory (April)
- Kindergarten- Aviary (April 15th)
- 5th Grade - Meadowcroft Village (June) - to be paid
- 1st Grade - Meadowcroft Village (May) - to be paid

TOTAL SPENT TO DATE \$6,269 (Budget \$8000)

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

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| 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: 3/22/24 \$599.73 |
| February: | Mediterra Cafe 02/05/24: \$179.00 |
| March: | Philly Pretzel Factory 03/01/24: \$134.77 SPIRIT WEAR (Spring 2024): \$240 |
| April: | Madsen Donuts 04/05/24 \$93.66 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: \$3,657.77 as of 04/10/24



Kids of Steel- Mary Ullman

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

April 1st - May 5th

- Kids of Steel 1st-5th grade
- Mary was able to take on all students who signed up & the 1st few weeks have been going well!
– approximately 100 kids!
- Last Day Best Day Celebration on 5/3!!
 - Need for cow bells, bubble machines, etc if you have any!

Bingo Night- Lorraine May

Thursday, April 11th

- Games of Chance, Bingo Games, Raffle Baskets, Snack Shack and more!
- Email lorrainerosemay@gmail.com if you are able to help!
- Tickets still available
- Starts at 6p, Doors open at 5:45p

Talent Show - Kristin Bartone, Erin Rutter, Joy Givens, Emily Nalitz

Friday, April 19th

- Theme “Decades of Talent”
- Doors open at 5:40pm and show begins at 6:00pm
- Free admission and Snack Shack will be there!

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

- Sneaker Drive - ongoing from now until Earth Day at the end of April (Collection boxes in Front Lobby)
 - Athletic Footwear paired and tied by laces
 - Goal of 100 Sneakers (at 80ish now)
- Earth Day
 - Family challenge, tips for treading lightly on the earth
 - Walk to School Week April 22nd-26th
 - 50% Classroom Participation
- Recycling Event at Mt. Lebanon Earth Day - CLOTHING
- Garden Committee Meeting April 9th
 - Student Garden Club will be the Month of May after school one day a week
 - “Adopt a Garden” spots new this year!
 - Garden WorkDays from now until the end of the year
 - Mondays 2:30p-3:30p
 - Sundays 11a-12p
- NEW UPDATE- **April 27th Lincoln Grounds Glow Up Day!**
 - Mary Ullman set up a meeting with Facilities to discuss planting 4 Trees by the railing and Shrub Planting on the hill to help with Field Drainage. Facilities is helping to facilitate Tree Planting lead by Mary and a few other neighbors on Saturday, April 27th.
 - Look for more information coming soon about a ‘*Lincoln Grounds Glow Up Day*’. A few hours Earth Day weekend to plant trees, garden, paint, and a few other things that we have been discussing with Facilities.
 - Playground - Hop Scotch and Four Square Stencils borrowed from Jefferson and Howe. and Facilities is going to paint at some point this spring.
 - Facilities Power Washing Wall on Playground. Playground Mural Painting - May 29th
 - Ebtehal Badawi (Artist)- Every kid will paint a part of it

Yearbook- Maggie Shiels

- **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!!! This is the last week to do so!

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 Below
- UP NEXT: 5th Grade Community Outreach Project with Foster Love
 - **5th Graders Foster Love Project Surveys were completed before Spring Break. We are emailing staff this week to set up time during the week of April 15th to meet with the whole 5th grade group one more time to start prepping materials and game planning. After this meeting, we will work with 5th Graders during lunchtime and recess to complete
 - Focus on Calming Activities and Water Bottles donations

Staff Appreciation- Lorraine May and Katie Mikita **YEAR ROUND**

- Staff Appreciation Week - **May 6th - May 10th**
 - Katie and Lorraine are planning and preparing starting next week.
 - Email lorrainerosemay@gmail.com if you are interested in helping!

Book Fair – Cate Albu **May 20th-23rd**

- Signup Genius will be coming soon! :)

Ice Cream Social- Katie Mikita **May 21st**

- Betsy's available and willing to work with us on budget. Gave our budget info and waiting to hear back from Ryan on the final details. Will need volunteers to scoops/serve. Signup will go out closer to date.

Open House-

- Miss Angerett asking PTA for Volunteers for the Art Show that will happen during Open House. More information coming in Newsletters this weekend!

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 beginning of May!

School Supplies – Melissa Blanton **May-July**

- Melissa began conversations with vendors about 2024-2025 School Supply Ordering
- Dr. Kitsko asked staff to create Grade Level Supply Lists for next school year
- School Supply Drive this summer to make sure we have extra supplies for those who need them

Maker Space- Andrea Goeringer and Katie Mikita **YEAR ROUND**

- 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 **YEAR ROUND**

- Spiritwear- Annie Lahoda
- Pool Party and Clap Out- Megan Kupchella and Becky Loughney
- Field Day- Christie Frederick
- Outreach- Anna Rutledge, Lorraine May, Katie Mikita
- Memory Book- Shelagh Milburn

Frosty Shop- Kim Tranquilli and Lorraine May**YEAR ROUND**

- 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!

**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**
- **100 cards and gift bags to local refugee families through Jewish Family and Children's Services
- **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 delivered to kids at Children's Hospital South, Ronald McDonald House, and the Children's Home of Pittsburgh and Lemieux Family Center
- **5th Graders Foster Love Project started to be carried out in April and May.
- Thank you to everyone! We look forward to next year!

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 sent out in Feedback Survey
- Possibly looking to move to Fall time frame – Joy to give Dr. Kitsko a few dates

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

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 still available
 - LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR the LINCOLN DIRECTORY

Read-A-Thon- Shelagh Milburn and Christie Schoen

YEAR ROUND

- 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!

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

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 is complete. Look for pics after the formal dedication April 18th

VI. New Business

- **None**

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| 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 | Open House 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

Meeting Adjourn: Lorraine May 7:10, Second Jaime DeCecco, Third Anna Rutledge

