

## Lincoln Elementary - May PTA Meeting

05/08/24 - 6:30pm

### I. Call to Order –

Lorraine May @6:35p

Jaime DeCecco - Second

Andrea Goeringer - Third

### II. Review of April Meeting Minutes

[April Lincoln PTA Meeting - Google Docs](#)

Lorraine May Motion, Jaime DeCecco 2nd, Andrea Goeringer 3rd



### 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 5/8/2024](#)
- Recording Secretary- Jaime DeCecco
  - Committee Chair Reports- See Below
  - Preliminary Committees and Liaisons (2024-2025)
  - [2024-2025 Lincoln Elementary Committee Chairs / Board Liaisons - Google Docs](#)
- Corresponding Secretary- Laura Drozynski
- Historian- Anna Rutledge
  - [Lincoln Elementary PTA Committee Report \(google.com\)](#)
- Staff Representatives- Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. Aaron
  - Thank you for Field Trips, Ms. McClain's mura, today's assembly and teacher appreciation
  - LASERMANIA WAS AMAZING!!!
- President- Lorraine May (PTA Council Updates)
- Treasurer- Kate Sweeney
  - [02.26.24 BTA.xlsx](#)

### IV. Old Business

- 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!

### 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
- LASERMANIA by Prismatic Magic - May 8th - \$1,248
- Playground Mural (May 29th) - \$1,200
- Teacher Retirement Murals - \$440

**TOTAL TO DATE- \$5638 (Budget \$5700)**

**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**

- 5th Grade - Meadowcroft Village (June) - to be paid

**TOTAL SPENT TO DATE \$6,822(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: 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 \$272.66
May:	Millie's Ice Cream 05/08/24 Blooming Dahlia 05/10/24 Kona Ice 06/06/24 (booked):

**Total Raised: \$3,657.77 as of 04/10/24**



**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
- Sneaker Drive Collection: 190 Sneakers
- UP NEXT: 5th Grade Community Outreach Project with Foster Love
  - \*\*5th Graders Foster Love Project Surveys were completed before Spring Break. Met with students May 1st to work on signage and fundraising plan for the items. After this meeting, we will work with 5th Graders during lunchtime and recess to complete
    - Focus on Calming Activities (fidgets, stress balls, etc.) & Water Bottles donations
    - Drive Starts May 10-May 24th, Coin Collection and Sticker Sale to raise funds!

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

- Staff Appreciation Week - **May 6th - May 10th**
  - Who Were You in the 90's Theme
  - Staff Appreciation Flyer of ways you can show the LES Staff some extra love!

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

- Signup Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805044CA4AD2DA46-2022>

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

- Betsy's Ice Cream Cart outside the Cafeteria from 7pm-8:30pm. Make sure to visit us AFTER you visit Open House! Signups to help scoop and serve!  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4BA4A72BABFA7-42353938-icecream>

**Open House-** Art Show

- Miss Angerett asking PTA for Volunteers for the Art Show that will happen during Open House
- Signup Genius Link - [ART SHOW Volunteers \(google.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4BA4A72BABFA7-42353938-icecream)

**Grand Finale –** Lorraine May and Katie Mikita **June 5th**

- Please signup for a shift! Any time you can give is appreciated!
- [Lincoln Elementary Grand Finale 2024 Volunteer Form - Event on June 5, 2024 \(google.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4BA4A72BABFA7-42353938-icecream)

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

- Look for the School Supply Flyer this week in the Newsletters.

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

**Fifth Grade Committee -** Christie Schoen **YEAR ROUND**

- Spiritwear- Annie Lahoda
- Pool Party and Clap Out-June 7th Evening- Megan Kupchella and Becky Loughney
- Field Day- June 4th (PM) Christie Frederick
- Outreach- Anna Rutledge, Lorraine May, Katie Mikita (Foster Love)
- 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!

- **FROSTY SHOP POP UP - May 21st 7-8:30 during the LES Ice Cream Social**

### **Yearbook- Maggie Shiels**

- *Yearbook delivery week of June 3rd*
- Brainstorm ideas for ways to get more and better photos next year
  - Ideas for improvement???
  - Examples of pictures usable vs not, big group vs small group
  - Soft cover vs hard cover
  - Yearbook committee rather than working through HRC
  - Like the yearbook gmail address
    - Make Facebook post once a month requesting pictures
  - Make clear HRC volunteers and Yearbook volunteers at class parties again



### **Kids of Steel- Mary Ullman**

**April 1st - May 5th**

- THANK YOU to Coach Mary and all of our KOS Volunteers for another successful KOS season! Can't wait to share pics of our KOS runners during the Last Best Day and the Kids Marathon!

### **Bingo Night- Lorraine May**

**Thursday, April 11th**

- Thank you to all of our LES Families who attended our 1st Bingo Fundraiser and made it a huge success!

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

**Friday, April 19th**

- Thank you to all of our LES Students who were so brave and amazingly talented!

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

- Sneaker Drive - over 200 sneakers collected!!
- Walk to School Week Challenge Results will be sent once collected
- Recycling Event at Mt. Lebanon Earth Day - CLOTHING
- Glow Up Day Update-
  - Trees, Shrubs and Flowers planted, mulch spread and gardens decorated too!
  - THANK YOU to everyone who showed up to Glow Up! It was amazing to see how much was accomplished in 2 hours!!!
  - 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
  - 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 - TBD
- Garden Club registered 29 kids and 7 adult volunteers, which is more than ever before!

### **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](mailto: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

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- 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](mailto:laura.drozynski@gmail.com) to help
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**VI. New Business**

- None

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 @ 7:14p  
 Second Jaime DeCecco  
 Third Andrea Goeringer

