

Fort Zeller Elementary PTO
November Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, November 8, 2023 @ 6:30 PM

Principal's Report: Mrs. Houck

- First Energy Assembly – 10/19
- Whole grade movie/popcorn – Thank you!
- Rising Raiders on 10/25
- Author Visit – 11/8
- Veterans Day Breakfast – 11/10 (42 veterans attending)
- No School 11/20-11/27
- PBIS Report:
 - Bee Cards
 - October – 795
 - Total – 1,637
 - Think Sheets: 21 (28 total)
 - Character Trait: Digital Citizenship
 - R.E.A.C.H. Lessons:
 - K - A Little Peaceful Spot: What does peaceful/calm mean
 - 1 - A Little Calm Spot: Coping skills to stay calm when big emotions show up
 - 2 - Digital Citizenship

TITLE 1 Report: Mrs. Houck

For our K-5 Title 1 Family Night, we had close to 150 participants. Students enjoyed decorating a pumpkin, building a pumpkin tower with pumpkin gummies, listening to a read aloud, meeting Ace the K-Pets Therapy Dog, and enjoying a yummy pumpkin dessert.

Kathy Miller, children's author and photographer, visits our school on Wednesday. We are looking forward to her presentation.

Raiders Read was last Wednesday. High School students read aloud a story that addressed "self-control". After reading a note from her mom that said not to eat the chocolate cake that was left on the counter, the main character had to resist the temptation.

Next Wednesday is our annual Title 1 Parent Engagement Committee meeting.

Teacher's Report:

- No agenda items at this time.

Secretary's Report: Ashley Derolf

- Motion for Adoption of the October Meeting Minutes

Treasurer's Report: Sara Derr

- Motion for adoption of the October Treasurer's report

Committee Report:

Assemblies: Committee Chair, Trisha Rabold

- Ag Lab is in April.
- Ms. Faust will have info on the Author Assembly that is coming up.

Book Fair: Committee Chair, Amora Cook

- Fall Book Fair Dates:
- Thursday, November 16th - Preview Day
- Friday November 17th - Student Buying Day
- Monday & Tuesday, November 20th & 21st - Parent/Family Buying Days
- Setup - Wednesday November 15th after school @ 3:30 (volunteers welcome!)
- Volunteers can use Signup Genius to sign up for a time slot.

Rewards Programs: Committee Chair, *Unfilled*

- No agenda items at this time.

Fundraising: Committee Chair, Kristen Martin

- Justinos Final -
 - 64 Orders
 - Pizza Tickets - 294
 - Sub Tickets - 395
- Winner of pizza party - Yocum/Krause PM - I will be in touch with Mrs Yocum to schedule a date for pizza party
- Costs - \$4639.00
- Profit - \$2049
- Reminder - Union House night - 9AM-8PM - 10% food sales
 - Can any one take time to sit at our table and hand out crayons and coloring sheets?
- Spirit wear - Waiting to hear back from Casey - Goal is to have this so families can order and have the products back before Christmas Break

Race for Education: Tri-Chairs, Amy Shade, Kelly Newswanger, & Bethany Snyder

- Fort Zeller student donations brought in \$9,334.97.
- Student donations + business donations total = \$12,989.00.
- Saved expenses by not purchasing staff t-shirts this year was \$885.59.
- Each business received a personalized thank you letter with a Race for Education vinyl sticker.
- Zurick AM, Booth, and Kane all held their ice cream parties.
- Zurick AM had a glow stick party on 10/23 in the Sensory Room. Each child received 4 glow sticks.

- Every class earned a movie with popcorn for reaching our goal of \$10,000.
- Outstanding expenses: popcorn and ice cream from the cafeteria for grade level movies.
- We would appreciate parent and staff feedback for planning the Race for Education for next year.

Hospitality: Tri-Chairs, Danielle Gingrich, Erin Horning, & Ashley Anspach

- Angelia Lotz joined the Hospitality committee for this year only.
- Still in need of a co-chair for 2024-2025.
- November conference meal is the next event
 - Is 3:45pm a good start time again?
- For our holiday treat, we are considering a “return to school New Year’s treat” instead of a before Christmas treat that falls the same week as the staff luncheon. Thoughts?

Gingerbread Shop: Committee Chair, Ashley Weiler

- Hardship and opt out option
- Volunteers needed to help set up after school- 12/13

Memory Book: Committee Co-Chairs, Kelly Mohn & Lindsey Moyer

- We do have an agreement with Lifetouch, same as last year.
- Lindsey Moyer has access to the site and will be helping... Thank you Lindsey.
- I will have a link to upload images for teachers and volunteers.
- If it’s ok with everyone, we will run a cover contest for second graders same as last year with the winner receiving a free yearbook.
- First round of flyers are going home with a Dec. due date, but it will be extended.
- We have not started on any pages yet. We are waiting for portrait images to be uploaded. That should happen shortly after retakes.

Fun in the Sun: Co-Chairs, Erin Horning & Amora Cook

- No agenda items at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Christmas books
 - Discussed creating a PTO account so that the orders are all together
 - Each grade will select one book each instead of multiple books
 - Kristen to reach out to the Job Training classroom volunteers to assist with wrapping the books

NEW BUSINESS:

- Updates - Tina Ulrey’s meeting - assisting the PTO
- Christmas Books - we need wrapping paper
- Place for December Meeting - Should we go out like last year?

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 6, 2023