

Doe Run Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes
November 12th, 2024
Room A101 and Zoom

- **Welcome:** meeting began at 6:30 PM. Attendance: Mr. Paynter, Mr. Sherwood, Mrs. Norcross, Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. McMechen, Sabrina Parraga, Justin and Christie Kleinfelter, Sherri Gagne, Michelle Wagner, Lindsey Sherman, Katlin Burkholder. “Thank You” card shared from Ms. Grimm’s ESL class for \$500 Scholastic Dollars donation towards filling their classroom library from book fair sales.
- **Approval of October 2023 meeting minutes:** no copy available please refer to online minutes. Motion to approve: Justin Kleinfelter, 2nd: Sherri Gagne
- **Report from the Teacher Representatives:** conferences are traditional style or learning led. Teachers are looking forward to meeting with families. Teachers expressed appreciation “thank you” for all the help at the Fund Run and with reward activities. A suggestion for “Twin Day” next year for students to dress like a teacher or favorite profession or something to allow all learners to participate even if they can’t find a twin peer to dress alike.
- **Report from the Principal:** Mr. Paynter also shared reminder of upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences November 25th and 26th which are virtual or in-person. Sign up is available on district website or if having trouble/need to make a change call the office for help.
- **Report from the Treasurer:** Currently \$78,777.14 in PTO account. Reviewed deposits/donations and withdrawals from Fund Run, Fall Book Fair, Kindergarten Breakfast, PTO supplies, Teacher Wish List and Super Teacher Worksheet subscription reimbursements.
- **Title 1 Presentation - Kim Norcross:** PowerPoint – Doe Run PAC Meeting Agenda- including details about What is Title I? What are the components? Who is the Reading Team? Curriculum and Standards, Assessments and how are used, BOOST, and Opportunities. Title I is a federal program that provides funds to the school particularly in language arts, math and science for academic success through funding k-4 STEM, reading specialists/assistants and instructional coaches. This year they are focusing on new “sound walls” which ties into phonics. DIBELS Reading assessments are done 3 times per year and determine IRLA reading levels/set of skills. Additional assessments include STAR Reading and PSSA’s. BOOST is additional reading support targeted at the learners’ specific needs, and it is fluid so students can move in and out. Parents were notified if students receiving additional reading support. For additional information, parents/guardians can access Title I documents on the district website through Family/Parent Engagements > Departments > Curriculum/Assessments tabs. Finally, ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) is parents’ rights and encouraged to participate in Parent Advisory Council meetings/events (PAC).
- **Old Business**
 - **Fund Run:** Fund Run expenses were lower than budgeted leading to more profit. This year’s Fund Run was higher profit (total \$27,603 raised) than last few years so all were pleased with success of fundraiser. 99 Pledges deposit payment on 11/8/24 \$22,989.33 (\$24,138 online donations - \$1,148.67 transaction fees (3.49% + 0.49 per transaction)). Event coordinators said students had a lot of fun! The silly string with Dr. Axe was a hit! Some suggestions for next year are 2 sign-in tables due to crowd from Manheim BIC needing to walk out around to get

to table. Also sound system improvements to be able to add music/louder and excitement to the run.

- Spirit Wear: reminder- Doe Run Spirit wear sale is happening now through November 21st at 9am. Order will be delivered before the holiday break. Check out the spirit-wear store link posted on Doe Run Elementary PTO Facebook page, doerunpto Instagram or flyer with QR code that came in student folders to place order. Current fundraising profit \$188 with 43 orders place (\$2 profit/item sold). Goal \$1,000 fundraising profit.
- Picture Retake Day: event completed.
- New Business
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences & Meals 11/25 and 11/26: Justin and Christie Kleinfelter are chairing fall conference meals. There is a sign-up genius and request for food donations. The meal on 11/25 is PTO sponsored -subs, salads, snacks. The meal on 11/26 is Manheim BIC sponsored -Chick-fil-a.
 - Holiday Craft 12/6: Chairperson Elizabeth Williams was not present at meeting no update. Look for sign-up genius to volunteer to help at event. Learners really look forward to making holiday crafts.
 - Elementary Science Night 2/6: Katlin Burkholder agreed to chair this event in conjunction with high school science club.
 - Mother/Son Night 3/21: Katlin Burkholder, Michelle Wagner, Christie and Justin Kleinfelter, and Lindsey Sherman expressed some interesting in co-chairing this event but would be looking for many hands to help at the event so they can enjoy the event with their sons. There was a good discussion about what chairing the event and planning activities would require, and it was encouraged that they make it their own/comfort level of chairing, and not required to duplicate previous events if style is too overwhelming. Learners will have fun however event is planned. Parents/Guardians interested in chairing upcoming events are encouraged to host as a pair or group to distribute the workload and lessen pressure/stress level. Suggestion to connect with chair of Daddy/Daughter for potential sharing of decorations/ideas. Look for future sign-up genius.

Next Public Board Meeting will be January 14th, 2025 at 6:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.