



# PTO Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2025  
6pm

Topic/Speaker	Notes
<b>Welcome &amp; Call to Order</b> (Brianne/Alycia)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Happy New Year!</li> <li>● Split into working groups (15-20 mins)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ FunFest Planning Task Force (All hands on deck!)</li> <li>○ Fundraising Task Force (FunFest Focus)</li> <li>○ Coin Wars/Battle of the Blizzard Bucks</li> <li>○ Other</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Principal's Report (Dr. Kramer)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Preschool Connections</b> - Kindergarten orientation is approaching. Families with incoming kindergarteners, including those families may consider redshirting, are encouraged to attend. The school aims to identify all eligible families to ensure they receive orientation information. Evening events have been valuable for family engagement; staffing and budget considerations will be reviewed moving forward. Attendance was very strong, and staff appreciated the opportunity to connect with families outside regular hours. New students practiced cutting and gluing skills. Each student received scissors, a glue stick, and a book provided by the PTO. Creates a nice connection and something tangible between books and classroom learning.</li> <li>● <b>Run for Ed</b> - 6th Grade will have popcorn and a movie on January 30th.</li> <li>● <b>The Sunshine Committee</b> provided bagels. The gesture was widely appreciated and boosted morale during the first week back from break. Purchase ½ to a ⅓ of what was purchased next time (8 dozen). There were a lot of bagels.</li> <li>● <b>Safety Incident - Communication &amp; Process</b> - Dr. Kramer addressed concerns regarding communication about an incident prior to break. The district's primary communication method is the 5:00 PM email which is the tool we used, and people found out second hand, which I understand is incredibly frustrating. Some emails were going to spam, some shared they have notifications turned off, we want to avoid notification overload and some families do not sign up for information. Moving forward we discussed sending a text message that says "There is an important email in your inbox". It was unfortunate the way it played out. I would never ever let anyone near this building if I thought there was a threat. In the decision making on my end. I personally waited as there needs to be a balancing act of making people aware but not making them uncomfortable. On Sunday there was wildly inaccurate/bad information being spread and so then I felt like there was a need to say something.</li> </ul>

	<p>I would like to emphasize that student safety was never compromised.</p> <p>Bri - If our child was one of the ones named  Dr k. Yes - if your child was a personally part of the credible, valid threat, you would be notified  Brienne - Donot rely on your chats. This is for anything. Call.  Dr K If there is a concern on your mind please reach out via the phone.  Melania - Heads up “we aWe are going to talk to your kids”  Dr. K - Those chats were very tiered.  I am in this weird phase right now where kids say “I aint no snitch”</p> <p>They don’t get to treat you poorly, they do not get to say things that are mean to you,  Dr. K - If you kid comes home and tells you something. Please send me a note, also Schoology is a great tool, the kids can message me directly. No one sees me pull them out. Reach out...The kids are using it “The kids think I am able to watch the kids all day long”. Reach out, say something, it’s not ok. You do not get to treat people poorly, it’s unacceptable.  Melini - Dr. Kramer did not name names and give out a list.  Dr. Kramer - yes, yeah I can not, do not name names any retaliation makes the issue much more intentional.</p>
<p><b>Treasurer Report (Michelle)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Monthly Update (see printed report)  Transportation Note - <b>New business department</b>  <b>Before we close our books</b>  <b>2024 and 2025 bills for transportation came in this year and we were not counting on that.</b></li> <li>● Receipts Monthly</li> <li>● Chairs can reach out for purchases: Michelle/Alycia/Brienne</li> <li>● Staff Fund Request - Open for re-submissions</li> </ul>
<p><b>Old Business (Alycia/Brienne)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Social Media - Bri Whitehill</i></li> <li>○ <i>Anchor Club - Alycia</i></li> <li>○ <i>Book Fair - Kit &amp; Conner</i></li> <li>○ <i>Spirit Wear - Abby Kerns &amp; Jillian</i></li> <li>○ <i>Concert Flowers &amp; Balloons (12/10 &amp; 3/26) - Christine</i></li> <li>○ <i>Coin Wars (2/2 - 2/5) - Michelle, Amanda &amp; Kait Linton</i></li> <li>○ <i>Fun Fest Basket Raffle - Chanel Neff</i></li> <li>○ <b>Fun Fest - Michelle (need more hands on task force)</b></li> <li>○ <i>Glow Dance - Emily Hyde &amp; Alycia</i></li> <li>○ <i>Book Swap - Amanda &amp; Brienne</i></li> <li>○ <i>Fundraising Task Force - Melanie &amp; Christine</i></li> <li>○ <i>Thank yous - Amanda (*all chairs pls add child name &amp; teacher on all volunteer sign ups)</i></li> <li>○ <i>Sunshine Committee - Bri (need business food donations)</i></li> <li>○ <i>Box Tops - Melanie</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>● CES Events <a href="#">Live Calendar</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>Run for Education (Brienne)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● One Big Thing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Soccer nets - vote on options</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>Material - Metal vs PVC piping.          Brianne W - Do student council reps make a report.          Dr. K - Yes they do, we can have the kids tell them.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Playground painting - update from Kim, buildings &amp; grounds, when summer paving be complete?          4Square boxes, hopscotch, basketball court,          Aliscia - Can you please double check with Kim.          Dr K - They are going to sealcoat and it hasn't been done in the last 10 years. Bid on it          Christine - June - even next september.          Drk - yes, even fine.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Scholastic Book Fair (Kit)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Moe's Dine-out - \$204.25</li> </ul>
<p><b>Family Fun Night (Mrs. Ember Koehler)</b> Jan 14, 2026          Session 1 - 5:30-6:30PM          Session 2 - 7-8PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ flyers &amp; signups out 1/6</li> <li>○ Next Wednesday 5:30 - Sign Up!</li> <li>○ Prizes 60 actual Prizes and 60 gift cards. There are a lot of attendees.</li> <li>○ Last year 270 1st session and 280 last session.</li> <li>○ DrK - 700 one year</li> <li>○ We need to check waters                  It is a fun easy night to volunteer for and we are looking for a new person to take this over.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Clothing tags - free to attendees (Nicole)</li> <li>● BoxTops tags on snacks (Bri)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Battle of the Blizzard Bucks (Michelle, Amanda &amp; Kait)</b>          Feb 2-6, 2026</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● In planning              Coin wars, bring some extra revenue,             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is very kid centric - Mario Cart</li> <li>2. One is more snow, blizzard                  Mario theme - no brainer.</li> </ol>             Bulletin Board              Keep it to dollars              Keep it in the cafeteria area.              Updates on Tuesday and Thursday              And then on the final announcement made on Monday.              More than one container per grade to              Wednesday will be a special theme day.              The class that wins gets a prize. But if we make something similar to what other schools have made. We could go larger.              Rohrerstown made \$2,200 last year.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Talent Show (Katie)</b>          Feb 25, 2026 @ 6:00PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● In planning</li> <li>● Rehearsal schedule: 2/5, 2/12 &amp; 2/19 at 3:45-5pm</li> <li>● Dress rehearsal assembly: 2/23 at 1:15pm              2nd, 4th, 6th - Talent Show this year. Finalized the assembly.              We have company and date needed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Book Swap (Amanda &amp; Brianne)</b>          March 9-12, 2026 - book drop off          March 17-20, 2026 - shopping</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● March 9th - 12th</li> <li>● Held in the forum every other year</li> <li>● Brianne we make a book store in the forum where every child can shop. Everyone can take 2-3 books</li> <li>● Dr Kramer - we found a bunch of books in the forum back</li> </ul>

	<p>closet. Maybe we sign a waiver - we do not know what all books come through.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Brienne we pull things that look questionable but can not promise a kid does not come home with a cookbook.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Teacher Appreciation Luncheon (Melina)</b> March 10, 2026</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● By next meeting we will have the theme. We have done 80's, camping, hawaii, in the past. A lot of fun. One Book One School Assembly is the same day - Will there be any conflict? Ashley Cope - No. Stauffers - raffle to get \$10/\$15 gift cards - Bri - I can take that in May (Melina Ohh Las Vegas! Could be a great theme.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Basket Raffle (Chanel)</b> NOA - March 26, 2026 FunFest - May 15, 2026</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● In planning</li> <li>● Aliscia, Tom can we connect after as I just have a few questions after. Looking at an Amazon Wish List and/or contributing within a theme.</li> <li>● We have a whole list of gift and gift card inventory to use. We do have something/we can revamp it - Michelle - ask michelle on this Drk we went away from class level donations. Trying to make it exciting, here are the different themes. There was a squishmallow basket - We could put it on the TV. Brienne - we could have items that are ticket winners. <b>**Buy a prize you get 5 free tickets. Moving away from classroom piece but still providing an incentive.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Other March Events</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Kindergarten orientation - 3/10 at 6:30pm</li> <li>● One Book One School</li> <li>● Parent Teachers Conferences Leftovers from the teacher luncheon can be used for teacher luncheon. We will look into crockpot liners</li> <li>● Night of the Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Paige coordinating paper/art hanging schedule w/ Liz Could Anchor Club help? We would have to double check if basketball is here could they do that? Dr K - Question for Erin/Senior Option Kids. We have been relying on student council kids and Liz will have a student teacher this year.</li> <li>○ Basket Raffle</li> <li>○ Flower &amp; balloon sales</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Fundraising Task Force (Christine / Melanie &amp; Bri)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dine Outs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 11/24 Dominos - <b>Raised \$508.02</b> (\$2540.11 sales)</li> <li>○ 12/30 Tropical Smoothie Centerville - <b>\$59.61</b> (\$298.03 sales)</li> <li>○ 1/27 - 5 Guys Centerville (confirmed)</li> <li>○ 2/24 - MOD Pizza Rohrerstown (confirmed)</li> <li>○ 3/31 - Chipotle Rohrerstown (confirmed)</li> <li>○ 4/28 - Panera Rohrerstown (confirmed)</li> <li>○ 5/26 - Friendly's Centerville (confirmed)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● BoxTops - <b>Raised so far: \$545.60</b></li> </ul>

<b>Sunshine Committee (Bri)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New year bagels - Tues, Jan 1/6 (adjust quantity moving forward)</li> <li>● Underground spirit week - Jan 26-30</li> </ul>
<b>Spiritwear (Abby &amp; Jillian)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Spiritwear Store: <a href="http://centervillepto.spiritsale.com">centervillepto.spiritsale.com</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Raised so far: \$315</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Theatre Club: need to explore further (Brianne brought up idea at Dec meeting)</li> <li>● Other?</li> </ul>
<b>Teacher Report (Mrs. Ashley Cope)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meetings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Wed, Feb 4th at 6pm</b></li> <li>● Schedule for remainder of the school year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thurs, March 5th at 6pm</li> <li>○ Tues, April 7th at 6pm</li> <li>○ Tues, May 5th at 9:15am (ways and means/budget meeting to follow at 10am for leadership &amp; chairs)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Super PTO Meeting - Mon, Feb 9th 6-8pm</li> </ul>