

Costello PTO Meeting Agenda

Monday March 9th, 2026

In attendance: Tammy DiPonio, Jennifer Ford, Kali Schmitz, Kristen Northey, Krystle Dennison, Angie Cheek, Michelle Tessoﬀ, Philippe Cicchini, Jamie Kaniarz, Maria del Carmen Esteinou Coto, Jenna DeCarolis, Rachel Mistretta, Brandy Cooper, Lillian Stier, Lindsey Miller

Call to Order- Jen Ford (President) at 7:03pm

Approval of Minutes- Jen Ford- Motion to Approve 1st- Jamie 2nd Kristin Northey

Treasurer Report- Krystle Dennison (Treasurer)- Panda Express brought in \$250. Two additional mystery checks brought in money. Lots of Auction funds going out. March is Reading Month expenses spent. Staff treats from November and December came through. Thank you gifts purchased as well as paper and supplies. Board will meet this month to go over the budget for the 26-27 school year. Motion to Approve 1st Jamie Kaniarz, 2nd Phillippe Cicchini.

President Report- Jen Ford- March Communication was shared on Friday, March 6th. There is interest in all board positions for the 26-27 school year. If you are interested in a board position, please let Jen know by the end of the April PTO meeting. Vote will take place during the May meeting.

Looking for someone to assist with staff treats next year, as well as additional help with the Costello Auction.

Principal Report- Dr. Tammy DiPonio- March is Reading Month decorations look tremendous. The kids love it. The assembly was high energy. Thank you to all the people who helped. Looking forward to the Auction on Friday. MSTEP for 3rd-5th grades coming up in April. Steam assembly in April will need some volunteers. Kindergarten round up coming in April, please spread the word. April 23rd is Take Your Child to Work day. Please look at the Cardinal Connection. City approved "No Parking" signs on Eleanor due to clearance and visibility for buses and cars. Still waiting on playground fences to come down. Talking to the district and looking into better options for 3rd and 4th grade hallway storage for their belongings. Bathrooms will be updated in the summer.

Teacher Representative- Michelle Tessoﬀ- 3rd grade going to the bowling alley for Force in Motion. Thank you for Kindness Week. 3rd grade ordered their books. May have them out during conferences. Teachers are promoting the auction as much as they can. Thank you ahead of time for the Pita Way lunch that is coming.

Celebrations- Brandy- Green School's report is submitted. Angie and Angie's mom donated cookies for Staff appreciation. PTO also restocked the coffee in the staff lounge. The Penny Wars donation has been given and pizza party was completed. Auction is in 4 days! PTO sponsored Skate world- free event on March 25th.

5th grade graduation celebration planning is underway- Colleen Fox is the chair and the committee is formed.

Committee Reports for March:

Auction- The auction committee has done a fantastic job with the new auction plans.

3.5% surcharge for all credit card purchases at the Auction. Bring cash and checks to avoid fees.

Old Business- Book Purchase is in progress.

New Business- All board nominations must be submitted by the end of April Meeting. Proposed 26-27 budget will be submitted during that meeting as well.

Next PTO Meeting: Monday, April 13th.