



TONAWANDA

Elementary School

**TONAWANDA PTO
JANUARY MEETING MINUTES**

(1/13/26) In Person at Tonawanda Library, Elm Grove, WI 6pm

Call to Order/Welcome: Carina Tran/Danielle Linn

In attendance: Sarah Danforth, Ashley Willis, Emily Anton, Courtney Arntzen,
Katy Holahan, **On-Line:** Megan Rueter, Anne Canion,

Principal Report – Kristin Olson

- Mrs. Olson thanked the PTO for staff Holiday Cookies and Starbucks gift cards and the new Winter planters
- Congrats to the 4th&5th Graders for the Band & Orchestra concert at Sharon Lynn Wilson Center of the Arts
- Math and Literacy Assessment Update
- Lice Protocol
- Science Fair: Slated for April 8. Hannah Johnson & Megan Gray are staff liason.

Approve December Minutes: Approved: Carina Tran/Second: Katy Holahan

President Report – Carina Tran/Danielle Linn

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Treasurer Report – Leah Christianson

- Bank Balances as of 12/31:
 - Operating: \$88,583.97
 - Reserves: \$56,914.69

Committee Reports:

Academic Enrichment – Sarah Van Lieshout/Sarah Kass

- Megan Rueter: High Interest Day Update:
 - -38 presenters are confirmed
 - -518 total students
 - -Budgeting ~\$10/student
 - -Adventure Rock no longer has climbing wall.
- Emily Anton: Penny Wars will occur the week of: February 16 with all donations to benefit the District Nature Center

Social Programming – Kelly Blong/Lindsey Swain

- Fourth Grade Square Dance (March 4)
- Sweetheart Dance
- Megan Rueter updated the group on the 5th Grade Farewell. Per feed back

School & Family Relations – Garrett Soberalski

- Emily Anton updated the group on the Culvers Dine-Out, happening on Wed 1/14. No code is needed as a percentage of all sales between 4-8pm will return to Tonawanda. Volunteers were needed to run food to cars. (In the future, 5th grade students may be a good fit for this task).

Fundraising – Sarah Danforth

- Parents Night Out, February 6th at Western Racquet Club.
 - 10 tickets have sold so far and purchase is live at GiveSmart, priced \$30 per ticket
 - Roaming Bingo, small silent auction with Bid Stations
- Reidel Sports Give Back- Holiday Tiger Merch: \$272.00

Other Business and Online Submissions

- **Corners Gift Card Purchase –**
 - **APPROVED to purchase to help offset costs for 2026-2027 school year.**
 - Info: The EEF is partnering with The Corners of Brookfield again to offer gift cards at 50% off. PTO's are able to purchase up to \$3000 in gift cards at 50% off and all other parent groups can purchase up to \$1500 in gift cards at 50%. Orders are due to me at elmbrookeducationfoundation@gmail.com no later than Monday, February 2nd. You will receive an email from me when the cards are ready for pick up. Checks should be made out to The Corners of Brookfield and must be paid at time of pick up. Simply fill out the form and send it in. The Corners of Brookfield asks that no-one contact them directly- this program is through the EEF only.
- **Carina Tran will get pricing on a sandwich board, wet mats and microphone tree for meetings**
- ONLINE SUBMISSION: NONE