Franklin PTO

Meeting Agenda
May 1, 2026
Board Members: Maggie Luth, Lauren Kozak, Danielle Winwood, Brittany Balmat, Samantha Martin

Attendees

- In Person: Jess, Haley, Lauren, Maggie, Mrs Kelly, Ms Laib, Beth Keck, Jill Munyon, Dani Winwood, Samantha Martin, Brittany Balmat, Ms Miller, Mrs Chada, Ms Crowley
- Online: Dawn Tonge, Nita Kollar, Trish Cerveny

Call to Order

- 9:32 AM Motion: Lauren Second: Jill

Principal Report

- Recaps
  - Career Day - It was amazing and the students loved it. Will continue with the half day format next year - it was just the right amount of time for the students.
- Upcoming
  - Kindergarten Prom
    - May 13 from 10a-11a: It's going to be a great event for the students
  - Rubber Ducks Game
    - May 15 at 7:17pm
    - Purchase tickets: https://www.gofevo.com/event/Franklin515
  - Field Day
    - May 20 from 9a-12p. 12-12:45 lunch. Parents are invited to have lunch with their students

Staff Reports

- Ms Crowley - thank you for all of the new sensory areas! The kids love it!!
- Mrs Neumann - we have 20 kids signed up for haircuts today (our highest number ever).

Board Reports

President - Maggie Luth

- Booster Update: 18 of 23 paid
- Scholarship night is May 14th at 7pm
- PTO end-of-year gathering May 27 at 7pm - Location Galaxy
- Thank you for a wonderful year and install the 2025-2026 Board & thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers!!
  - 25 Programs & Events
  - 3 Major Fundraisers
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1st Vice President (Volunteers) - Lauren Kozak

- 2026-2027 Call for Committees
- Volunteer recap
    - New: 27; Nonleadership: 42; overall volunteers: 52
    - Google Drive and shared logins for programs so much easier
- We still have openings for committee leads for next year. Reach out to Lauren if you have any interest or questions

2nd Vice President (Membership) - Danielle Winwood

- Current members: 52 family members, 23 staff members, 75 total
- Membership link: https://bit.ly/4dohJeM

Secretary - Brittany Balmat

- Approval of April meeting minutes. Motion: Haley Second: Samantha
- Thank yous sent to Spring Dance: Katie P (Chair), Ms Lutz (student teacher who stayed to participate), photobooth, food truck, DJ, Dawn Tonge (DJ help), Aliesha Luyster (banner)
- Please let me know if you have any that you want sent out

Treasurer - Samantha Martin

- Ending April balance: $4,208.81 (includes our $3k balance requirement)
- Taxes Filed
- Approve 2026-2027 Budget Motion: Brittany Second: Lauren
- Funnel/Fun ball hoop installation & purchase - pending final fundraising totals from Walk-A-Thon
- Send all receipts within 3 days of your event/activity to franklinelementarytreasurer@gmail.com
    - Include the event your purchase is for & payment method (PTO Card, personal card, cash, etc.)

Recaps

- Spring Dance: $540.31 total cost, lots of positive feedback, Katie P donated the backdrop stand to the PTO
- Testing Snacks: $489.20 total cost, not very much left over so perfect amount purchased
- Staff Outreach: $126.60 cost -for the remainder of the purchases for this school year
- Casa: $400 raised
- Scholastic order - classroom rugs and Birthday books. $4167 remaining balance

Committee Reports/Updates

- Backpack Connection (Katie H)
    - Amazon wishlist: https://amzn.to/3ZKxOGV
    - Donation link: https://bit.ly/3ImBRmz
    - Received another monetary donation
    - Currently have 17 students
- Sensory room project (Haley)
    - Submitting their final maintenance requests for installations. Still finalizing the installation of the curtain lights. The kids love it and are getting a lot of use out of the new areas and supplies. The sensory wall is complete (outside of the cafeteria) and the kids love it!
- Walk-A-Thon (Lauren)
    - Friday, May 8

        - 9:15-10:00: 1st Grade
        - 10:00-10:45: Kindergarten
        - 10:45-11:30: 4th Grade
        - 11:30-12:15: 2nd Grade
        - 12:15-1:00: 3rd Grade
    - Donation link: https://bit.ly/4t5Q4pt
    - Huge thank you to everyone for donating!! Please keep promoting your donation links - we're halfway to our fundraising goal.
    - Anyone interested in helping promote further or setting up the morning of?
- Staff Appreciation Week (Lauren & Maggie)
    - May 11-15
    - Cost: $1018.04 is currently spent, final spend is pending what is donated
    - Sign up to stock the lounge: https://bit.ly/47jMkIG
    - Donation link: https://bit.ly/4vfso40
        - Thank you to everyone that has donated and signed up for stocking the lounge thus far!!
    - Could use a few people to help set up after the walk-a-thon ~1:15pm
    - Fun 90's Theme - trivia, 90's Museum, 90's inspired snacks, staff yearbook, giant madlib
    - Food: Jimmy John's/Sandridge, Casa, Water Main
- 4th Grade Event (Jill & Brittany)
    - May 18 from 11a-2p at Grizzly Arcade
    - Cost: $500 for Arcade, $168.67 for food, $30.53 for decor
    - RSVP link: https://bit.ly/47O7vD5
    - Will have 4 stations: arcade, food, game, craft
    - 8 parents that want to help - Parents should meet at the Arcade (not the school)
    - Jill will contact the Arcade to see what time we can get in to set up
    - Mrs Kelly will have Transportation as a back up in case it's raining
- 4th Grade Graduation & Clap Out (Jill & Brittany)
    - Graduation: May 22 at 1:45p
    - Clap Out: May 29 at 3p - will have a balloon arch for students to walk through
    - Cost: $59.61 for food, $197.60 for decor
    - Would like to have the stage pulled out for the risers to be used
    - Class photo (from the arcade event) will be printed and available for students to pick up with refreshments
    - Currently $16 over budget for the 2 combined events
    - Stage will be ready May 21 for decorating

Other Business, Announcements & Questions

- Skoops fundraiser (Lauren)
    - June 16 from 5p-7p at the Seville location
    - 10% of proceeds goes to the PTO
- Back-to-School Bash (Lauren)
    - August 18 from 6p-7:30p
    - Kona Ice is booked
    - 20% of proceeds goes to the PTO
- Possible fundraiser at Blue Sky Drive In (Lauren)

- Mrs Neumann would like to use her booster to help pay for unpaid Instructional fees for students/families. Motion: Haley Second: Lauren

Vote to Close

- 10:16 am Motion: Dani Second: Jill

Upcoming Dates (PTO led events/initiatives are noted - other items are Franklin or district-led)

- **May**
  - **5/8**: PTO Walk-a-Thon
  - **5/11-5/15**: PTO Staff Appreciation Week
  - **5/14**: WHS Senior Scholarship Night
  - **5/15**: Akron RubberDucks Game 7:17pm
  - **5/18**: PTO 4th Grade Event @ Grizzly Arcade 11am-2pm
  - **5/20:** Field Day
  - **5/22**: 4th Grade Graduation 1:45pm
  - **5/25**: No School (Memorial Day)
  - **5/29**: Last Day of School
    - 4th Grade Clap Out 3pm
- **June**
  - **6/16**: PTO Skoops Fundraiser @Seville location 5pm-7pm