Angell Elementary School PTA Meeting Minutes Nov 10, 2026

I. Call to Order:

- Quorum established with 16 participants and meeting started at 7:00 pm

II. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

- Motion: Rob Herman
- Second: Shannon Amori
- Motion passed: minutes approved as presented

III. PTA Board & Principal Reports

President – Nicole Feys

- Feel free to reach out with ideas or concerns at any time. More time outside of meetings to get into the nitty-gritty of things.
- **Caring & Sharing** started November 1st.
    - Nominations close December 1st, no exceptions.
    - District-wide fundraiser for the holiday season to provide groceries, hats, and gloves.
    - Caring & Sharing care days: November 13th, PJ Day; November 20th, Make a Card for a First Responder; December 4th, School Spirit Day; December 11th, MVP Day.
    - Hat and Glove Drive: donations can be dropped off in the office.
- **PTSA meeting last week:** A guest speaker talked about ADA compliance. PTA doesn't technically fall under the compliance rules. These laws take effect in 2028. Smore automatically makes things ADA compliant. Hyperlinks are hard for screen readers, so Nicole will send out best practices.

Vice President – Kelsey Cole

- No report. More on Founder's Day and nominations next month.

Treasurer – Colleen Miglio

- The bank balance is currently $67,907.60.
- Aileen Snyder checked in about the remaining Reflections budget for medals, but we have a PTSA gift card that can be used to purchase these. Reflections also wants to purchase a gift card as a thank-you for the art teacher. We can talk budget next month after Reflections closes.

Secretary – Ariana Carps

- Bylaws amendment vote:
    - To recap: specified PTA business will be conducted through PTA-maintained email accounts. This covers board communications on behalf of the PTA, reimbursements, PR, and the room parent coordinator.
    - **Motion**: Ariana Carps moved to approve the bylaws amendment adding Article IX, Section 6. Lisa Klein seconded. The motion passed 16–0.
    - The approved amendment will be submitted to Michigan PTA for approval.

- Goal to create a PTA landing page by the start of school 2027. This will include much of the information requested at the new parent information meetings, like a Google Calendar, how to use GiveBacks, committee descriptions, and PTA emails. Other suggestions welcome.

Principal – Matt Provost

- Scheduling a practice drill to the reunification spot at Berkley first. That will happen in the spring.
- Thank you to parents and families for helping out with Trunk or Treat and Halloween parties.
- Building updates:
    - Gym: Sound treatment on the ceiling, and a sound system built into the ceiling.
    - Multipurpose room: Now open, and all students have seen it. Kids are very excited! Sound treatment on the ceiling helps keep it quiet in there.
- Upcoming:
    - Open house for the new multipurpose room: Thursday, November 12, at 5:00 p.m.
    - The first event in the multipurpose room will be the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade concerts on Thursday November 12.
    - Conferences: November 23 and 24.
    - No school November 24 for conferences, Thanksgiving break begins November 25.
    - 5th grade camp meeting: November 30.
- Working on launching an Instagram account as another method of communication.
- Traffic pattern updates: Please follow the traffic pattern. Police are providing additional support to help parents follow the rules. Remind students to cross at the crosswalk.

Teacher Rep – Dana Sturtz

- No report

IV. Committee Reports and Upcoming Events

Turkey Trot – Kelly Williams

- November 26, 9:30 a.m., in the Angell parking lot.
- Registration is open on GiveBacks, $10 per family.

Teacher Appreciation – Beth Phaneuf and Amanda Meek

- October root beer floats
- November will be dinner from Crispelli's the evening of conferences
- December stock the lounge will be for 1st and 4th grade families

PR – Shannon Amori

- **PR email:** Shannon checks the PR email at least twice a week.
- **Lead times:** Allow 3–5 days for general help requests and 5–7 days for a post or caption.
- **What to send:** Send a graphic whenever possible, plus any relevant links.
- **Photos:** All photos must be approved by the office first. Check with Kelley and Christina.
- **Monthly schedule:** Shannon puts out a schedule by the 1st of each month. Anything you want included should reach her by the end of the prior month.

Dine To Donate – Sammi Russell-Anderson

- Pita Way was November 9, final numbers not in yet

Reflections – Aileen Snyder and Lisa Klein

- **Art nights:** Both art nights had much better turnout than past years. Ms. Skrinner went above and beyond helping out.
- **Deadline:** The submission deadline has been extended to Friday, November 13.
- **Storage:** Artwork will be stored in the art room.
- **Registration:** About 10 Angell students are already registered.
- **Medals:** The number of medals needed will depend on the final number of submissions. Medals won't be given out until January.
- **Show:** The date of the show at the board office is still TBD. The committee would also like to display the artwork at Angell at some point.

Dad's Club - Rob Herman

- **Bookly Monster Mash Block Party:** The block party was a success. Prizes and candy were donated, and the crowd loved the cornhole.
- **Fall cleanup, November 7:** The club raked, pulled weeds, and cleaned the flower beds.
- **Cummings sign:** The sign doesn't seem sturdy enough to fix, so the club would rather replace it. They'll discuss it at their next meeting.
- **Holiday Lights Parade, December 5:** The club has lots of ideas and would love donations of leftover Halloween candy.
- **Angells in the Alley:** Ticket sales start after January 1. The save the date is already in the principal's email.
- **Spring cleanup:** Spring cleanup and the sign install may need a budget increase.
- **Next Dad's Club meeting:** November 19, 7:00 p.m., at Dog & Pony Show Brewing.

Holiday Shop - Kristy Devine, Lindsay Royce, and Meaghan Nielsen

- **Flyer:** The flyer will go home the day after Thanksgiving break.
- **Payment:** A new voucher payment option is available, similar to the Book Fair e-wallet. The only catch is that leftover funds come back as cash rather than a credit back to the card.
- **Pricing:** Items range from $1 to $13, with most at $5 to $6. The whole store is arranged by price to keep it simple, and families can set a spending amount per person.
- **Volunteers:** Lots of help is needed. Sign-up info is coming soon.

Pistons Game - Ariana Carps

- **Tickets:** The first 100 tickets sold out, and 28 more were released on the day of the meeting. It's unclear whether more will be available after this batch, so families who want to go should sign up soon.
- **Cost:** Tickets are $46.20 each and include unlimited soda, water, hot dogs, popcorn, and nachos.
- **After the game:** Kids will most likely get a chance to shoot a basket after the game. Ariana will confirm closer to the game.
- **Assembly:** Enough tickets were sold to earn an assembly for the kids!

Trivia Night - Nicole Feys

- **Saturday, November 28, 7:00 p.m., at Dog & Pony Show Brewing:**
  - Hosted by Quizzo, a local company.
  - All proceeds go to the new emergency family fund.

  - Open to everyone, not just Angell families.
  - Tickets are $15 per person, and registration is open on GiveBacks.
  - Recommended team size is 4 to 6.
  - Dog & Pony Show Brewing will donate about $1 per drink that evening.
- **Motion:** Kelsey Cole moved to approve a special-by-vote expense of $300 to cover the cost of Quizzo. Rob Herman seconded. The motion passed 16–0.

DEI Cookie Night - Hilary Riddell

- **Cookie Night, December 3, 6:00–8:00 p.m., in the new multipurpose room:**
  - Homemade or store-bought cookies are welcome. The committee will try to have extras for families who can't bring cookies and will be mindful of allergies.
  - It will be combined with craft night and include a craft.
  - Rough estimate is 100–125 people, though it's unclear how many families will come for craft night.
  - Volunteers are needed.
  - Hilary will connect with the PTA after the meeting about the budget.
  - Hopes to find a way to use the whiteboard in the new multipurpose room.
- **Additional upcoming:**
  - Glow dance in February; a DJ is booked.
  - A DEI t-shirt is planned for the spring spirit wear drop.
  - Trying to replace the inclusive flags around school and would love to include that in spring cleanup.
  - Looking into a craft tent at Berkley Pride.

Room Parent Coordinator - Lindsay Muncey

- **Receipts:** Lindsay will send an email reminding people to submit their receipts within 30 days for reimbursement.
- **Class funds:**
  - Goal is another big push for class funds around January/February.
  - Estimated $110–150 for the year.
  - There's been a lot of confusion about class fund totals. The current estimate should be $110–115 per class.
  - Rose Guglielmetti asked whether a motion could be made to add more money to each class, possibly $50 per class. Conversation was tabled until later in the year when we know whether or not those funds will be needed.
  - Lindsay Muncey and Colleen Miglio are always available if anyone wants to check in on their budget.
- **End-of-year needs:** Nicole Feys sent out grade-specific expectations to room parents for things like ice cream parties.
- Lindsay will resend many of the earlier emails from the start of the year.

V. Old Business

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Fun Run – Nicole Feys and Bridget Rock

- **Fundraising**: About $33,000 was raised, plus about $5,000 in in-kind donations.
- **Registration**: Over 100 more kids registered than last year. It was amazing to see that many families take the time.
- 75 parents registered to run with their kids.
- **Glow** lunch: November 20, with an awesome sound system.

Trunk or Treat – Aileen Snyder and Lia Vanderhoof

- **Attendance:** 600 tickets. Interest is high and growing.
- **Candy:** Candy was running low by 7:30, so the event may end at 7:30 next year. The candy budget will need to increase for next year.
- **Bathrooms:** Having the school open for bathrooms was great.
- **Next year:**
    - Possibly staggering the event.
    - Get the custodian's phone number ahead of time for easier access.

VI. New Business/Questions/Comments

- **School spirit wear**: The Armadillo spirit wear store is still open for the holidays, with more color options this time. Only a few days are left. The Fun Run design is also available. The link is in the PTA newsletter and the principal's email.
- **Family fund fundraiser**: Virginia Corcoran brought up a wreath sale for the family fund, but the cutoff for Wygans was missed. The group can look into a spring/summer option for hostas.

VII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Lisa Klein at 8:12 PM
- Second: Aileen Snyder
- Motion passes and meeting adjourned