



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Mar. 11, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order @ 3:30 pm
2. Roll Call
 - a. Barbara Schaefer, Katrina McLaughlin, Arlene Kruser, Sara Erdmann & Amy Weicheck
3. Attendees
 - a. Theresa Meshes, Christine Curtis, Mrs. Monroe & Ms. Golich
4. Business
 - a. Correspondence
 - i. None this month
 - b. Treasurer Report
 - i. Current bank balance as of 3/11/25 is \$24,841.34 Debits include but are not limited to Wolves tickets fees and MS Scholastic Book Fair book fee. Deposits include but are not limited to Night on the Town, Wolves ticket sales, MS book fair sales and local merchant checks. At last year's budget meeting the Fun Day budget was decreased by \$1,000 due to lack of overall PTO funds. However since local merchant events have been successful this year we have agreed to increase the Fun Day budget back up to its original amount from \$2,000 to \$3,000. A motion was made in favor of this increase by Katrina & voted on by the board with a final vote of 4 yes and 0 no.
 - c. Administration Reports
 - i. Mrs. Monroe reporting for the district: ISA will begin next week at the MS and IAR for grades 3-8 will begin after spring break.
 - d. Liaison Updates
 - i. None this month
5. Action Item
 - a. ARS and FRGMS Art Show
 - i. The district 3 art show will be at the FRG Memorial Library on 4/17. Mrs. Frederick has requested \$102.93 of the PTO to buy art supplies for the event. The board vote of 4 yes and 0 no, approved this grant.
6. Event Reports
 - a. Winter Fundraiser: Night On The Town

- i. 163 people attended the event. There is an outstanding invoice of \$855 that Alexis is working on. After that invoice is paid around \$7,200 will be made from the fundraiser. Lots of great feedback about the event and ways to make it better for 2026 is already in the works! Biggest complaints were high bar prices, the room was a little crowded for mingling and not being able to understand the winners being announced. Thank you letters have been sent to the PTO president for review and once approved will be distributed via email, mail and drop off to sponsors.
 - b. VIP & Me Activity
 - i. Lots of fun was had by those who attended! Each time slot played multiple games of dodgeball and tug of war. Dodgeball games were played with kids versus VIPs and then in pairs. Tug of war was played in pairs. Mr. G was our guest referee!
- 7. Ongoing Committee Reports
 - a. After School Programming
 - i. Impact Kids Karate & Robotics at ARS, Art at ARS, Chess Without Borders, and Kids Yoga Plus Art
 - ii. Barbara is working closely with all our afterschool programming companies to follow up with them regarding a donation back to the PTO upon completion of their sessions.
 - b. Box Tops
 - i. Watch the Box Top app for personalized challenges for the month of March! \$270.50 is the Box Tops total so far with \$48 earned in February!
 - c. Environmental Committee
 - i. The Recycle Club is going really well. Receiving a lot of positive feedback from students enjoying making bookmarks with positive affirmations intended to be distributed in the CLC. Mrs. Piecuch has been really excited and supportive of this. The students are learning about how to keep our environment healthy and taking on the responsibility of recycling daily. Barbara is beginning to hear how 2nd graders can't wait to do it next year. There will be a mini celebration for the Recycle Club! Barbara is currently working with Miki Gale and Jen Cherep about some potential gift ideas.
 - ii. Remember to drop off Little Bites and Dunkin Donuts coffee bags at the office of either school or send in with your student. The Dunkin Donuts coffee bags can also be dropped off at the Dunkin Donuts FRG location. We have not met the minimum requirement to send in Little Bites yet, but collection is still occurring and will continue to save to earn money back to our PTO!
 - d. Local Merchant

- i. February El Sombrero Dine & Share was once again very successful, \$245 will be donated back to the PTO.
 - ii. Culver's of FRG Wednesday March 12th 4-8pm District 3 staff will be helping serve food, 15% will be donated back to the PTO. Mention what grade you are supporting for the grade with the most votes earning a custard party!
 - iii. El Sombrero dine & share Tuesday March 18th all day ! 10% of sales will be donated back to the PTO!
 - iv. Guzman Y Gomez Wednesday April 2nd 4-8pm 20% of sales will be donated back to the PTO.
- e. Bi-Monthly Family Activity
 - i. Math Night with Mathnasium on Friday March 14 6pm-7pm FRGMS Multi Purpose Room. Games, Prizes & Giveaways! Join us for this free event, open to all district 3 families!
 - ii. Wolves game was 2/23, 47 tickets were sold! Lots of fun had by those who attended!
- f. ARS Yearbook
 - i. Keep sending in your photos of ARS events to arsyearbookphotos@gmail.com
- g. Children's Fundraiser - Fun Run
 - i. Fun Run is 4/30 at FRGMS & 5/1 at ARS Volunteers are still needed to help make this a successful event for our kiddos! Sign up genius on the PTO Facebook page! Watch for a flyer coming home soon!
- h. VIP & Me Dance
 - i. RSVP's are due Friday March 14th. So far 35 guests have registered for the dance.
- i. Fifth Grade Activity
 - i. Extreme Wheels in Crystal Lake Wednesday May 21st 6-8pm Private event only for FRGMS 5th graders! More information is coming soon!
- j. Teacher Appreciation Week
 - i. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9 a theme has been picked and the committee is already planning a wonderful week for our teachers!
- k. Directory
 - i. Watch for a flyer coming home soon for how to update your directory information or be added to the 25/26 PTO directory. Pre-sales seemed to work well last year which allowed families to get added to the directory at back to school nights vs. having them pre printed and no way of adding information.
- l. Fun Day
 - i. Arlene reported that Kona Ice and bounce house deposits have been paid for. More information on Fun day next month.

8. Board Comments

- a. Barbara has reached out to a Paperpie consultant to gain information on how a book fair would work with the company. Schools can earn free books equivalent to the cost of 50% of total sales and events can run from one day to a full week with advanced notice.
- b. Sara asked if we had anyone volunteer to be an election chair for our 25/26 PTO election on May 13th. Barbara said we have not had anyone volunteer yet.

9. Open Comments

- a. None this month

10. Announcements

- a. Next PTO meeting is 4/8 7pm at the FRGMS, all are welcome!

Meeting adjourned at 4:25pm