



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Nov. 10, 2021, 3:45pm via Zoom

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1. Call to Order; By President Katrina McLaughlin at 3:48pm
2. Roll Call; By Secretary Sara Erdmann
 - a. In attendance: Katrina McLaughlin, Kirsten Wall, Theresa Meshes, Sara Erdmann, Amy Weicheck & Emily McDonald
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes; Board
 - a. October meeting minutes have been approved & posted on the FRG PTO website.
4. Business
 - a. Correspondence; Sara Erdmann
 - i. Thank you note from Stacie Farber was read thanking the PTO for her lottery winnings and all we do for the schools in the district.
 - b. Treasurer Report; Theresa Meshes
 - i. Not too much of a difference from our October report except for our large deposit from the lottery. Quick book fees in operations, copies from summer flyers (copies now get taken directly out of each committee's budget), Spring Fling had a deposit on the Onion Pub and a teacher grant was paid out for the month of November. Our current bank balance is \$14,936
 - c. Administration Reports; Dr. Ozimek; Mr. Walton; Mrs. McKenzie
 - i. Mr. Walton reporting for the district: If you choose to get your child vaccinated for Covid 19, please bring the district their completed card for a copy to be made for their file. If your child becomes a close contact and is displaying no symptoms they should not have to quarantine. With children ages 5 to 11 now eligible for the vaccine we are hopeful that this is the step in the right direction to putting an end to the pandemic. We appreciate your support in helping us keep our students in school knowing this is where they learn best.
 - ii. Mr. Walton reporting for the FRGMS: 2nd trimester started today, 11/10. Teachers are finalizing grades, 5th grade standardized grades will be mailed out on Monday the 15th. 6th-8th graders report cards will be on Powerschool on Tuesday the 16th. Sign up for student-led conferences went out the week of 11/1, the google form will need to be completed by Monday the 15th at 8am if parents wish to have a conference with their student.

- iii. Mr. Walton reporting for ARS: Staff has worked very hard to promote good behavior by bringing back SOAR. Students earn SOAR tickets for demonstrating positive behaviors throughout their day. Last Friday the SOAR store opened and was a huge success! Sign ups for conferences went out on Tuesday the 9th. Please provide any feedback you may have for Mr. Walton regarding sign ups through Sign Up Genius. We look forward to partnering with parents during conferences to make learning impactful for all students. Report cards will go home via backpack mail on the 16th. An ARS parent is interested in starting a 'Parent Traffic Team' to help direct traffic in the morning and afterschool. Mr. Walton is wondering if the PTO is open to help sponsor such a group. (Katrina was willing to help support such a cause.) More information is coming soon.
 - d. Liaison Updates; ARS Mrs. McDonald and Ms. Weicheck; MS Mrs. Carr
 - i. No reports from ARS or FRGMS.
 - e. Grade Representative Updates
 - i. No updates this month.
- 5. Action Item
 - a. Tree Lighting Activity
 - i. The PTO will have a table at the 2021 FRG tree lighting activity which is being held by the FRG special events committee on Saturday December 4th 2pm to 5pm outdoors at the ARS kid care courts. Our PTO table will consist of a scavenger hunt type activity. We will have a bingo card/scavenger hunt card where you would go around and complete activities then return the card for a prize. Katrina will send out a sign up genius for board members to sign up for a shift for the activity.
 - b. Teacher Grant
 - i. Teacher grant from Miss K that will benefit all students at ARS. This grant is asking for money to purchase playground equipment for students to use at recess time especially when students are having field time. Mr. Walton would like to get student input as to what items are purchased to insure they are items the students will actually use. Mr. Walton would like to work through the logistics of this idea as we have to make sure that items can be cleaned and sanitized between groups of students. For now this grant will be put on hold until Mr. Walton gains more information from recess supervisors, student input and Mrs. Liporato. We will discuss this grant more at our December meeting.
- 6. Event Reports
 - a. Lou's Dine 'n' Share
 - i. Thank you to all who came out to our October dine & share night. \$162.08 will be donated back to the PTO. This is a \$10.16 increase from last year.
 - b. Art to Remember
 - i. Total sales this year was: \$2719.60 estimated amount back to the PTO is \$843. Families can still order until 1/1/2022 all orders will be

shipped directly to your home for a flat fee of \$6.95 or free shipping on orders over \$60

7. Ongoing Committee Reports

a. After School Programming

- i. No update this month

b. Box Tops

- i. Current Box Tops total on the app is \$51.80 thanks to all who continue to scan your receipts.

c. Environmental Committee

- i. Thank you to Theresa for volunteering to drive the caps 6 hours to Indiana to exchange them for a bench! The bench will sit outside the front of ARS. A plaque will eventually be purchased and placed on the bench in honor of Mrs. Diller. Thank you to Nicole Steeves for taking the extra caps!

d. Local Merchant

- i. Our November dine & share night will be at Chipotle in Crystal Lake on Tuesday November 16th from 4pm to 8pm Show flyer on your mobile device upon ordering or use code 2NC8JMF upon ordering on the Chipotle website. 33% of qualified sales will go back to our PTO.

e. Lottery

- i. Our total thus far for our PTO lottery is \$15,860 in ticket sales. 126 families and a number of staff participated this year. The district 3 staff sold \$220 in tickets and does not include the number of tickets that staff bought and attributed them to students. (Maybe close to \$300-\$350 worth of staff tickets sold) We appreciate all the support from the staff in selling tickets. Kindergarten sold the most tickets at \$2,740. 2nd Grade came in 2nd place with \$2330 worth of tickets sold and 3rd grade came in 3rd place with \$2290 worth of tickets sold. The top selling family was the Erdmann's with \$600 worth of tickets sold. The lottery committee is very appreciative of how well the lottery went this year and how much participation and effort was put forth by the families and staff. The top seller from each class will pull tickets on the last Friday of each month.

f. FRGMS Book Fair

- i. Scholastic will not do an online fair and we can not do an in person fair.

8. Board Comments

- a. None

9. Open Comments

- a. Nicole Steeves-Thank you PTO for the hot coco donation for the holiday caroling at the FRG Library on Friday December 3rd.

10. Announcements

- a. Next meeting Wednesday December 8th at 3:45pm via Zoom.