



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Dec. 15, 2020, 3:45pm via Zoom

1. Call to Order; By President Katrina McLaughlin @ 3:47 pm
2. Roll Call; By Secretary Sara Erdmann
 - a. In attendance: Katrina McLaughlin, Julia Navik Gutierrez, Theresa Meshes, Sara Erdmann, Kim Scherzer, Karli Kurschardt and Kelly Brady
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes-November's meeting minutes were approved via email and posted the the PTO website
4. Business
 - a. Correspondence; Sara Erdmann
 - i. Four thank you cards were read from District 3 staff thanking the PTO for the holiday gift.
 - b. Treasurer Report; Theresa Meshes
 - i. Current bank balance is \$5,817.23 Our big debts this month were the holiday gift cards for the District 3 staff, lottery gift card prizes and art supplies using the funds from the 2019 Art To Remember fundraiser. Hopefully our lottery fundraiser will bring in funds starting in January.
 - c. Administration Reports; Dr. Mahaffy; Dr. Ozimek; Mrs. McKenzie
 - i. Dr. Mahaffy reporting: Thank you so much to the PTO for the much appreciated gift card gift for the district 3 staff. ARS will have a supply drop off/pick up Thursday December 17th from 7:30am to 12:30pm. Thank you to the 70 plus students & staff who made the FRGMS holiday event a success!
 - ii. Dr. Mahaffy reporting for the district office: Our 2 year facility project is nearly completed, just need the students & staff in our buildings to use the collaborative learning spaces. The first possible date back to school in the hybrid learning model is Tuesday January 19th,2021, this date is not set in stone yet. We will continue to follow the science and health metrics before a decision will be made. There is no school on Friday January 15th (planned teacher institute day) & Monday January 18th (Martin Luther King Day) It is recommended that we move one model at a time for a minimum of 2 weeks before moving to a full in person model which also allows for monitoring of the health metrics for at least 14 days. We hope

that the current positive trend and mitigation steps in place by the CDC and those in our district will allow us to get back in person when it is safe to do so. On a financial standpoint the district will be debt free next year for the first time in 30 years. This is something to be very proud of and thank you to the community for supporting the schools. The 2nd year of the property tax relief grant abatement coming up in February. This means that the district will be abating another \$309,313 back to the taxpayers. Since 2013 the district has abated \$1.4 million dollars of collected money back to the taxpayers. This is the last year of the abatement and that means that the district will be getting a grant from the state for \$209,540 but after this year there is no longer a requirement to abate and the \$209,540 gets added to our base funding minimum from general state aid. This means less money that will be needed to collect from tax payers and more money we will get from the state on an annual basis.

- d. Liaison Updates; ARS Miss Scherzer and Miss Kurschardt; MS Mrs. Carr
 - i. Miss Scherzer reporting for ARS: Thank you so much for the gift cards, they were unexpected & very appreciated by all.
 - ii. Mrs.Carr reporting for FRGMS: Thank you so much for the gift cards that were very appreciated by all & Happy Holidays!
- e. Grade Representative Updates
 - i. No updates this month.
- 5. Action Items
- 6. Event Reports
 - a. Chipotle Dine n Share
 - i. \$144.03 will be donated back to the PTO from our Chipotle fundraiser.
 - b. J&M Memories Santa Photos
 - i. \$60.00 will be donated back to the PTO from the J&M Memories fundraiser.
 - ii. Thank you to all who participated in these December fundraisers!
- 7. Ongoing Committee Reports
 - a. After School Programming
 - i. Afterschool Enrichment Solutions is providing after school programs virtually this year! Programs begin in January. Parents will receive links to Zoom meetings, supplemental course information, course details and more the day before class starts. As an added bonus, 10% of enrollment will be donated to our PTO to help our schools! Flyers are posted on the website, eblast & facebook. Prices are much reduced from typical prices offered. Kelly Brady's daughter took the art class & really enjoyed attending! If you are looking for some after school enrichment check out a class for January.

- b. MS Book Fair
 - i. So far there have been zero sales for the FRGMS, although this is not surprising since there typically are no sales online during our traditional MS book fair. The online book fair runs till Saturday December 19th. The link to the book fair is on the PTO website, eblast & FB page.
- c. Box Tops
 - i. 251 box tops were collected from the FRG Memorial Library and will be submitted to Box Tops of Education. This will equate to \$25.50 for the PTO.
- d. Environmental Committee
 - i. No update this month.
- e. Family Nights- January
 - i. At this time we have decided not to move forward with a virtual family night.
- f. Local Merchant
 - i. TONIGHT (12-15-2020) from 4pm to 8pm please visit the Noodles & Co in Crystal Lake and 25% of qualifying purchases will be donated back to the PTO. For details on order see the flyer posted on the PTO Facebook page or PTO website.
- g. Lottery Fundraiser
 - i. Lottery tickets are now available and can be requested by emailing "REQUEST FOR LOTTERY TICKETS" to the PTO Lottery Fundraiser Committee members angiegunn27@hotmail.com and sheryl.flowers@icloud.com. All tickets and money are due Monday January 4th to the district office.
- h. Spring Fundraiser
 - i. With the absence of the Spring Fling Julia has come up with a great alternative spring fundraiser idea. She is looking into unique experiences to either have as raffles or auction off for a fundraiser. Ideas include: Virtual tap lessons, sign my yard, billboards with birthday greetings, possibly even seen if the teachers are willing to offer time or share talents such as art or music lessons, Dr.Mahaffy offered softball coaching or a hitting lesson. If you or someone you know would be interested in donating an experience/skill or item for this spring fundraiser OR if you would like to help be on the committee please reach out to the PTO and we will be happy to get you on board. We are looking into having this spring fundraiser to take place in March. More details to follow.
 - i. ARS Yearbook
 - i. No update this month.
- 8. Board Comments

- a. No comments
- 9. Open Comments
 - a. Jamie Bushroe introduced herself and has graciously offered to help with the tentative spring fundraiser. She has been in charge of gathering donations and raffle items for St.Barnabas where her children attended preschool and was hoping to transition her time & knowledge to Fox River Grove. We are very grateful for her willingness to volunteer with the FRG PTO and look forward to working with her. Thank you Jamie!
- 10. Announcements
 - a. Our next meeting is January 19th at 3:45pm via zoom