



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Dec. 10, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order @ 7:01 pm
2. Roll Call
 - a. In attendance: Barbara Schaefer, Katrina McLaughlin, Arlene Kruser and Sara Erdmann
3. Attendees
 - a. Theresa Meshes & Jessica Ricci
4. Business
 - a. Correspondence
 - i. None this month.
 - b. Treasurer Report
 - i. \$19,202.47 is the current bank balance. This month's debts include but are not limited to: lottery winner from last school year & PTO insurance. Deposits include but are not limited to: Panera & El Sombrero and Noodles & Co dine and share, PTO directories, ARS yearbook sale, ARS book fair sales and Charleston Wrap fundraiser.
 - c. Administration Reports
 - i. Email from Sarah Monroe read by Barbara Schaefer: We wanted to share that winter benchmarking letters went out to families today. At the middle school, there is a holiday concert on Thursday and the basketball team was in the 2nd round of their tournament tonight.
 - d. Liaison Updates
 - i. None this month.
5. Action Item
 - a. None this month.
6. Event Reports
 - a. ARS Book Fair
 - i. Thank you to this year's ARS book fair committee for all their hard work! \$800 worth of books were purchased for the teacher's classroom libraries. The book fair committee for 2025 will be possibly looking into another company to host the book fair due to the continued decrease of profits given by Scholastic.
7. Ongoing Committee Reports
 - a. After School Programming

- i. A second session of chess is currently running at ARS. Impact Kids flyer went home with ARS & MS students to gain input from the families as to what types of after school programs they are interested in. Watch for how to register for classes in January!
- b. Box Tops
 - i. Box Tops app total is \$100.60 There is a December challenge in the app!
- c. Environmental Committee
 - i. Recycle Club is going really well at ARS! All positive feedback! A new sign up coming soon for another session of the recycle club! About 40 3rd & 4th graders have participated! Little Bites flyers are still being collected as well as Dunkin coffee bags which can be dropped off at the FRG Dunkin drive thru. Once a certain weight of bean bags are collected they get recycled and the PTO gets money!
- d. Local Merchant
 - i. 12/12 5-8pm Portillo's in Crystal Lake 20% will get donated back to the PTO, must mention fundraiser upon ordering.
 - ii. 12/17 All Day El Sombrero in FRG 10% will be donated back to the PTO.
 - iii. 1/5 All day Dunkin in FRG 15% will get donated back to the PTO.
- e. Children's Fundraiser
 - i. Spring Fun Walk/Run is in the planning process for April! We need volunteers to make this fundraiser a success! If you would like to volunteer please reach out to Barbara Schaefer.
- f. FRGMS Book Fair
 - i. FRGMS Book Fair will be week of February 3-7
- g. Bi-Monthly Family Activity
 - i. 1/17 BINGO in the ARS gym from 6-8pm
 - ii. 2/8 Multicultural Fair 1-4pm
 - iii. 2/23 Wolves Game
 - iv. March Mathnasium night
- a. VIP & Me Activity
 - i. K-5 Dodgeball tournament January 25th more information coming soon!
- h. Winter Fundraiser: Night On The Town
 - i. Email from Jamie read by Barbara: People not attending the event may purchase raffle tickets and have a friend who is attending the event drop the tickets in the boxes they wish to try their luck at winning. We will not have online raffles, but each and every basket or item up for auction will be featured on our social media pages leading up to the event. As with Spring Fling, "The List" (master list of all items) will be provided to each attendee, as well as shared on social media a few days before the event. Tables may be formed or

people may sign up individually and we will combine them with others to make tables of 10 people.

- i. Fifth Grade Activity
 - i. Committee was told the activity takes place in the spring & activity of choice is up to the committee.
 - j. VIP & Me Dance
 - i. Christine Curtis would like to help plan a dance. She has reached out to the community for additional help with the dance. Dance will take place most likely in April.
 - 8. Board Comments
 - a. None this month.
 - 9. Open Comments
 - a. None this month.
 - 10. Announcements
 - a. Our next PTO meeting is Tuesday January 14th at 3:30 pm at ARS
- Meeting adjourned at 8pm