



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

May 18, 2021, 3:45pm

Fox River Grove Middle School, multipurpose room

Masks and social distancing required while in FRGMS

1. Call to Order; By President Katrina McLaughlin @ 3:47pm
2. Roll Call; By Secretary Sara Erdmann
 - a. In attendance: Katrina McLaughlin, Kirsten Wall, Julia Navik Gutierrez, Sara Erdmann, Kim Scherzer, Karli Kurschardt & Kelly Brady
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes; April minutes have been approved & posted to the PTO website.
4. Business
 - a. Correspondence; Sara Erdmann
 - i. Thank you card from district teachers thanking the PTO for teacher appreciation week. Also an amazing Thank You PTO sign is in the window of the STEM room at ARS !
 - b. Treasurer Report; Theresa Meshes
 - i. Given by Sara Erdmann: We had many debts this month with Daddy daughter dance costs, PTO lottery winners, teacher appreciation week costs, 8th grade graduation signs & yearbook. Current bank balance is \$5,914.75 with \$1,133.06 in outstanding checks.
 - c. Administration Reports; Dr. Mahaffy; Dr. Ozimek; Mrs. McKenzie
 - i. Dr.Ozimek reporting for the district: Registration for the 2021-2022 school year runs through June 4th, 2022. All students this year need to upload or drop off at the district office proof of residency. New families will need to wait till mid to late July for registration to reopen. The district will continue to update parents on any pandemic guidelines or changes as it pertains to our schools. Stay tuned for information regarding guidelines and protocol for the schools and students in the fall. Thank you PTO for an outstanding teacher appreciation week.
 - ii. Dr.Ozimek reporting for the FRGMS: We are looking forward to celebrating the 8th grade class of 2021 on Friday May 28th with a picnic at Picnic Grove Park. 8th grade graduation will be on Thursday June 3rd. Thank you PTO for the graduation signs!
 - d. Liaison Updates; ARS Miss Scherzer and Miss Kurschardt; MS Mrs. Carr
 - i. Thank you PTO for an amazing teacher appreciation week! It was a big hit! It was thoroughly enjoyed by all!
 - e. Grade Representative Update
 - i. No updates this month.

5. Action Items

a. 2021-22 Election

- i. Thank you to Vessi Balinova for heading up our PTO election. Ballots were passed out to all who were at the meeting. Votes were made & then tallied up by Vessi. All 9 individuals who were on the ballot were elected as members of the PTO board for the 2021-2022 school year. They are as follows: Katrina McLaughlin, Kirsten Wall, Julia Navik Gutierrez, Theresa Meshes, Sara Erdmann, Kelly Brady, Rachel Herndon, Emily McDonald & Amy Weicheck.

b. 2021-22 Budget Approval

- i. Katrina McLaughlin went over the proposed budget for the 2021-22 school year. A public meeting was held via zoom on May 3rd to go over the budget and make any changes. Board voted on the 2021-2022 budget and was approved 6 yes 0 no.

c. Teacher Grant Request: Mrs. Traub is requesting \$164.65 to purchase snacks for grades kindergarten to 4th grade as a way to celebrate the tough year the students have been through. This grant was approved by the board with a vote of 6 yes to 0 no.

6. Event Reports

a. Kojak's Dine n Share

- i. Thank you to all who dined at Kojaks in Cary for our April Dine & Share. \$211.43 will be donated back to the FRG PTO.

b. Cary Dairy Dine n Share

- i. No update yet, will share details at our next meeting.

c. ARS Book Fair

- i. No update yet for book fair, will share details at our next meeting.

d. Mother/Son Activity

- i. Thanks to everyone who came out to Lippold Park for the mother son event. Beautiful weather & great fun had by all! Thank you to the committee for a great event!

e. Teacher Appreciation Week

- i. A great week to celebrate a challenging year for our fabulous teachers! Thank you to all the parents who went above & beyond with donations of snacks, gift cards and food. The dress up days were a big hit, especially pajama day! The schedule for the teachers was: Monday breakfast, Tuesday sweet treats, Wednesday lunch, Thursday snacks and Friday coffee & donuts and the PTO luncheon. There was also a gift card raffle for teachers as well! Thank you to the schools for being flexible with the parent volunteers who set up & clean up each day. We are so happy the week was a big hit for our district 3 teachers!

7. Ongoing Committee Reports

a. After School Programming

- i. Kelly is hard at work gathering activities for the next school year. Lots will depend on guidelines & protocol for the fall. Iheart yoga is willing to do an after school program for the students. Kelly is going to try to seek other options for programs as well as how to be more cost effective for the families since cost of programs has continued to be an issue.

b. Box Tops

- i. Currently the account has \$184.30 Thank you to all who continue to scan your receipts onto the app! Every Box Top does add up and help our schools! A collection bin will continue to be at the library for any Box Tops that need to be cut out & turned in.
- c. Daddy/Daughter Activity
 - i. Saturday May 22nd from 6 to 8pm at Picnic Grove Park in FRG. DJ, dessert truck, photo backdrop & more! Restaurant discounts at New China, La Pizza Via, Morettis in Barrington, El Sombrero for you to dine at prior to the dance! See Flyer on Facebook for details.
- d. Directory
 - i. Watch backpack mail for a directory update form. Please make sure your information is correct or if you were not in the previous directory and would like to be added you may be added for the 2021-2022 school year PTO directory.
- e. Environmental Committee
 - i. No update this month. Will be working on how to get the caps/lids weighed & sorted soon! Thank you Mrs.McDonald for storing them in her classroom!
- f. Fifth Grade Activity
 - i. May 24th from 5 to 7pm at Extreme Wheels, see flyer for more details!
- g. Fun Day
 - i. June 4th 1 to 3pm ARS baseball fields, look for more information coming soon!
- h. Local Merchant
 - i. No update this month.
- i. ARS Yearbook
 - i. No update this month.
- j. School Supply Kits
 - i. School Tool kit flyers were attached to last week's PTO email. Online ordering has begun and supplies will be delivered right to your home in 1 to 2 weeks after you place your order. You may order all summer long!
- k. Summer Fundraiser
 - i. OUTFOXED! You may spot some adorable & friendly foxes around town soon! Thank you to J4 Graphics for donating the campaign signs that will go along with the foxes! The first 3 homes will be surprised with foxes in their yard! Those families will have 3 different options. They may do nothing and the foxes will be gone in 3 days, email the committee & the foxes will be gone asap or you may fill out the google form and send foxes to someone else in town! For \$25 you can send 5 foxes, for \$50 you can send 10 foxes and for \$100 for 25 foxes & for a donation of \$10 or more you may keep 1 fox! Watch for more information about this foxy fundraiser very soon! Thank you Julia for your creative idea!
 - ii. Environmental Fundraiser: Julia is looking into 2 different organizations that collect old shoes. One organization resells the good shoes and recycles/donates the yucky ones. We would have to register with the state of Illinois as a charitable organization in their charitable trust database. This costs \$15 each you & you must do it every year or face a fine of \$200.00. This shoe organization has us collecting 25 pairs of shoes per bag

and a truck will come and pick them up. They want us to collect at least 1,000 pairs of shoes and we get paid by weight or about \$1 per pair (40 cents per pound). If we collect over 1000 pairs we would get 55 cents per pound. If we do not hit the 1000 pairs of shoes, we must pay \$250 for the truck to come out and pick up the shoes which comes out of the amount we would have been paid. The second organization collects wearable shoes only. They pay out by the condition of the shoes. \$3 to \$1 per pair depending on condition and brand. They have another option for worn shoes which is 25 cents per pair. There is no minimum and they send boxes that ship paid for by the company. This second option has no risk as we do not have to register with the state of IL or have any minimum number of shoes to collect. Something to think about, no need to make a decision today. Further discussion can be at our next meetings.

8. Board Comments

- a. None this month.

9. Open Comments

- a. None this month.

10. Announcements

- a. Our final PTO meeting of the 2020-2021 school year will be on Tuesday June 1st at 3:45pm location TBD.