



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

December 1, 2025, 7:00 pm

Action	Who	Notes
<b>Call to Order:</b> @ 1900	Miki Gale	
<b>Roll Call:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Miki Gale, <input type="checkbox"/> Barbara Schaefer, <input type="checkbox"/> Arlene Kruser, <input type="checkbox"/> Christine Curtis <input type="checkbox"/> Jenn Mepham <input type="checkbox"/> Kathy Gira <input type="checkbox"/> Lindsay Golich	Christine Curtis	Kathy Gira absent
<b>Attendees:</b> (See Below)	Christine Curtis	
<b>D3 Administration Report:</b> (if applicable)	D3 Representative	Donnie Castans - big thank you to PTO for providing donuts & bagels for the teachers!
<b>President</b>	Miki Gale	
<u>Old Business:</u>	Miki Gale	Rather than providing lunch/dinner for staff at conferences, PTO provided donuts and bagels
<u>New Business:</u> FRG Cocoa Station/Santa Parade	Miki Gale	FRG Santa Parade will be on Friday 12/5, PTO is hosting a cocoa stand by the ARS parking lot. Jenn will have a truck with a PTO banner driving in the parade.
D3 Staff Food Donation	Miki Gale	\$1,000 was donated to the backpack program
MS Foosball Table	Miki Gale	We are very excited to have gifted a foosball table to the middle school!
<u>Committee Reports:</u>		
After School Programming Impact Kids Art	Barbara Schaefer	- Impact Kids is done at ARS, waiting for an update of what amount will be donated back to

		<p>the PTO.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We are looking to try and arrange fencing for the middle school.</li> <li>- After school art is still running.</li> </ul>
<b>Vice President</b>	Barbara Schaefer	
Old Business:		
<u>New Business:</u> Approve Multicultural Fair Date 3/14 or 3/15		Approved for 3/15 afternoon
Committee Reports:		
Monthly Family Events		
November - Board Game Night	Theresa Meshes	
January – Mathnasium?	Barbara Schaefer	<p>The Mathnasium owner reached out; this event has had dwindling attendance. They would like to work with us to revamp interest (work with Pieceful Project, literacy night, etc.) This may need to be tabled until the next school year.</p> <p>We will look at putting together a Bingo night possibly.</p> <p>Another next year idea: fun fair/activities night rotating through rooms in the school</p>
February - Painting Party?	Miki Gale	TBD
Environmental Committee	Barbara Schaefer	
Recycle Club ARS		Kids continue to think creatively, plan new activities, create posters
Recycle Club MS		Working to figure out a good fit for when to meet during the school day. Students are creating posters, and looking to get more bins available to sort garbage/recycling in the lunch room. An extra parent volunteer or two for this

		club is needed!
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<b>Associate Vice President:</b>	Jenn Mepham	
Old Business:		
<u>New Business:</u>		
<u>Committee Reports:</u>		
Website Administration	Barbara Schaefer	No updates. A new site is under construction, thank you to Chris Stewart for assistance on this!
Facebook Administration /Instagram?	Sara Erdmann	Thank you Sara as she continues running our Facebook account, and for starting to navigate the process of getting the PTO on Instagram!
Newsletter Fundraising ● Blanket Fundraiser	Jenn M. / Miki  G. Miki Gale	We continue making tweaks to the newsletter to make it a quick and easy browse for parents.  We are 9 blankets away from breaking even!
Dine and Share	Sara E. / Arlene K.	
● Previous - Funds Raised		
■ El Sombrero 11/5		El Sombrero brought in \$289
■ Culvers 11/12		Culvers brought in \$817.35! This was double from last year!
● Upcoming Reminder		
■ El Sombrero 12/3		All day, no mentions needed. We will earn 10% from the whole day's sales
■ Noodles & Co. 12/16		4-8pm, 25% will be given back to the PTO
ARS Book Fair	Christine/Jenn	Total sales \$5,275 with \$910 returned to the PTO in rewards! 67 items fulfilled on

		<p>teacher wishlists amounting to \$710!</p> <p>Challenges/feedback: not much foot traffic during conferences, not enough inventory, needed a second cash register, needed signage in the school directing to book fair room, need class shopping times of about 30 minutes each with a little break before the next class. Teachers enjoyed the online wishlist capability, enjoyed less of the knick/knacks being present.</p> <p>Considering a second book fair in the spring as well as potentially a middle school book fair - please reach out if interested in helping with this!</p>
Monthly Fundraisers	Barbara Schaefer	
• Box Tops		We are at \$130.10, be sure to accept the challenge that pops up on the app when you open it
• Dunkin		Dunkin is collecting 1lb bags, waiting to hear back from manager on this
• Lil Bites		Bags are going to be shipped soon and we will earn points that turn into a monetary amount returned to the PTO.
<b>Secretary:</b>	Christine Curtis	
<u>Old Business:</u>		
<u>New Business:</u>		
Correspondence		Thank you card from Jill Peterson
<u>Committee Reports:</u>		
ARS Yearbook	Jenn Mephram	Reminders for Teachers/Parents to send in photos to the ARS yearbook email!
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Arlene Kruser	
Old Business:		
<u>New Business:</u>		

<u>Treasurer Report:</u>		<p>Biggest expenses this month: backpack program, blanket fundraiser, foosball table</p> <p>We currently have \$22,848.34 in the bank</p> <p>We adopted two families through the Adopt a Grover program and fulfilled Christmas gifts for them</p> <p>Field trip funds and teacher grant funds are still available for teachers to utilize - staff liaisons to bring this to attention at upcoming meetings for new staff that are maybe unaware</p>
<b>Members at Large:</b>		

<u>ARS Teachers</u>	Kathy Gira Lindsay Golich	
<u>MS Teachers</u>		We would love to see MS teacher involvement - please bring any ideas for how we can help encourage this
<u>Parents</u>		
<b>Open Comments:</b>	Miki Gale	Night on the Town early bird tickets are available for purchase!
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	Christine Curtis	1/5/26
January 5, 2026 at 7pm		
<b>Meeting adjourned:</b> at 8:00pm	Miki Gale	

Attendance:

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