



PTO Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
Feb. 6, 2020 7 PM FRGMS Conference Room

**Call to Order;** By President Theresa Meshes at 7:01 PM

**Roll Call;** By Secretary Sara Erdmann

In attendance: Theresa Meshes, Heather Castaing, Michael Campbell, Kim Scherzer, Sara Erdmann, Katrina McLaughlin & Karli Kurschardt

**Approval of Meeting Minutes;** Board

January's meeting minutes were approved & posted to the PTO website.

**Business**

1. Correspondence; Sara Erdmann
  - a. None for this month.
2. Treasurer Report; Michael Campbell
  - a. Bank balance at the end of January was \$16,451 which is \$3,000 less than January 2019 bank balance. Some line items are up from last year and some are down from 2019. Theresa & Kelly will look into after school programming deposits as well as the Box Top check to make sure they were put into the correct line item since both seem to be quite lower than 2019. Overall things are looking good for the month.
3. Administration Reports; Dr. Mahaffy; Dr. Ozimek; Mrs. McKenzie
  - a. Mrs. McKenzie reporting for ARS:
    - i. Thank you PTO for sponsoring author Michelle Schaub's visit on January 24th. The students & staff really enjoyed her visit. The Valentine's day parties will be held on Friday February 14th at 2pm, parents will be allowed to go into the classrooms at 1:45pm.
  - b. Mrs. McKenzie reporting for the MS:
    - i. Mr. Benrus recently started a film club that was requested by students which is one of our many new activities starting this year. They also include a book club, makerspace, newspaper, art & band club too!
  - c. Mrs. McKenzie reporting for the district:

- i. The 2nd trimester ends on February 26th & report cards will be either sent home (ARS) or online (MS) on March 4th. The district has received approval for the state property tax relief grant. The district will be abating \$618,626 over the next 2 years and in return will get \$209,450 in property tax relief grant which will get added to our state dollars after year 3. This is a win win for taxpayers & the district. This summer the facilities projects will get completed at both ARS & the MS. A lot of the carpet at the MS will be getting replaced over spring break to get a head start on it. A picture of the proposed STEM lab was presented to the board to get approval to use some of the STEM money on & for any additional funds that may be needed. The board approved this decision.
4. Liaison Updates; ARS Miss Scherzer and Miss Kurschardt; MS Mrs. Carr
  - a. Miss Kurschardt reporting for ARS: The ARS teachers are excited for Spring Fling & have been working on putting a basket together to donate to the event. Mrs. McDonald would like to have a Lego building family night. She is asking for help from the PTO and more details will be available soon.
  - b. No update this month from Mrs. Carr.
5. Grade Representative Updates
  - a. None for this month.

### **Action Items**

1. Grant Requests
  - a. None for this month.
2. Mathnasium PI Day Request
  - a. The board decided to pass on hosting a PI Day event at ARS for Mathnasium.
3. PTO Sponsored Pizza Parties
  - a. It was brought to a board members attention that committees who offer pizza parties as rewards for various activities need to either provide the pizza at a time other than during lunch (snack, end of the day) offer a different type of reward (sweet treat party or other snack on the approved snack list) OR order pizza thru Janet Mollet that can then be eaten during the student's lunch time. These changes are being made so that the full amount of state funding for school lunch can be claimed each day. On days that pizza parties are being held for

a given class, students are then not eating the school hot lunch and thus no funding can be claimed that day for that particular class.

## **Event Reports**

### **1) Trivia Night**

- a. 78 people attending the PTO Trivia night on January 25th at Galati's in Cary. There were 8 tables, a split the pot where an individual went home with \$250! Overall fun night out for the adults! Thank you to everyone who participated!

### **2) Family Night: January Bingo Night**

- a. We had an amazing turn out for our Bingo night at ARS on January 31st. Thank you to the sweets & treats committee for the yummy snacks and for all the kids, parents & staff who came out to play bingo!

## **Ongoing Committee Reports**

### **1. After School Programming**

- a. Current after school programs include: art class with Smiling Shamrock on Tuesdays at ARS, yoga with I Heart Yoga on Thursdays at ARS and Let's Build it Engineering with After School Solutions on Monday's at ARS.

### **2. ARS Book Fair**

- a. The Scholastic ARS book fair will be May 4th to May 8th. Watch for more details and how you can help out soon.

### **3. ARS Yearbook**

- a. No update for this month.

### **4. Box Tops**

- a. No update for this month.

### **5. Daddy Daughter Dance**

- a. The 2020 Daddy Daughter Dance will be held on Saturday April 4th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm in the ARS Gym. All girls in kindergarten thru 5th grade are invited to attend. More details will be available soon.

### **6. Environmental Committee**

- a. Flyers for the caps & lid collection will be coming home in backpack mail shortly and posted on social media, eblast & website. Collection bins for the caps & lids will be at ARS, FRGMS & FRG Library.

### **7. Family Night: February Multicultural Fair**

- a. Saturday February 22nd from 2pm to 4pm in the ARS Gym. Please join us for this free event with food, crafts, music, yoga and much more!
8. Family Night: March Reading Night
  - a. Friday March 6th from 6pm to 8pm in the ARS Gym. More details and flyers will be available soon.
9. Local Merchant
  - a. Congrats to Miss Koss' class for having the most orders for our Marco's local merchant night. They received a pizza party from Marco's Pizza. Our February local merchant night will be on the 11th from 5pm to 8pm at the Portillo's in Crystal Lake. Please show the flyer for 20% of your purchase going back to the PTO. Our March local merchant night will be on the 10th from 10am to 10pm at the Culver's in FRG! District 3 teachers & board members will be food runners from 4pm to 8pm, we hope you can join us for this fun night out, 15% of your purchase will go back to the PTO!
10. Mother Son Event
  - a. No update for this month.
11. Spring Fling
  - a. No update this month.
12. Six Flags Read to Succeed
  - a. Parents should have their child's minutes logged by April 1st. If you need your child's teacher's code please contact their teacher or email the PTO for the code.
13. Strokes of Genius
  - a. No update for this month.
14. Teacher Appreciation
  - a. Committee will be meeting for the 1st time on Saturday February 8th.

### **Board Comments**

\_\_\_\_ PTO board elections will take place at our May 14th meeting at 3:45 PM. If you would like to be added to the ballot please contact Heather at [heather.castaing@yahoo.com](mailto:heather.castaing@yahoo.com) If you would like more information about becoming a board member or have any questions feel free to contact Theresa Meshes at [tmeshes@gmail.com](mailto:tmeshes@gmail.com)

### **Open Comments**

## **Announcements**

1. Next PTO Meeting March 5, 2020 FRGMS Conference Room 3:45 PM  
**Meeting Adjourned @ 8:00 PM**