



## Defer Elementary PTO

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Defer Elementary School

7:00 PM

In attendance: Christy Sherding, Sophan Buffa, Patrice Arend, Lindy Holloway, Lakeytria Felder, Erin Weakland, Kristine Hayes, Steven Justin, Beth Lowe, Aubrey Crawford, Jane Nugent, Nicole Filiccia, Doris Grose, Maria Williams, JJ DeRosier, Kelly Warnick, Michelle Shalhoub

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – Christy Sherding - @7:02pm – must be a member to vote in a meeting.
2. **Review of the Previous Minutes** – Sophan Buffa – Motion to pass minutes by Lindy Holloway seconded by Kristine Hayes
3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Stephen Justin – Motion to pass treasurer’s report by Lindy Holloway seconded by Kristine Hayes – Slow month, but will pick up next month when receipts and items will be entered as they come in.
4. **President’s Report** – Christy Sherding – no report
5. **Vice President’s Report** – Kristine Hayes – district wanted to note that summer programs are live and ready for sign ups. GP Alumni and Friends are still looking for 100 notable alumni’s and looking to promote for 100-year anniversary. District is focusing on Internet security/cyber safety and keeping our kids safe online and there are resources to sign up. Haunted Garage needs a contact so they can get started as soon as possible.
6. **Communications Report** – Erin Weakland – no report
7. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Spring Social – Lindy Holloway – May 19<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 on playground – public safety will send 2 officers, bounce houses ordered, icecream truck \$1-4, Heros and Villians food truck, Samantha and Jeff Wittstock will be there to face paint. Peirce is changing their International Festival on the same day but Lindy figure it out to see if it can be moved. Mrs. Doherty will send kids to supervise the bounce houses.
  - b. Book Fair – Michelle Shalhoub – sold \$9900 – We earned \$4900 – Mrs. Dykstra purchased about \$4500 worth of books off the shelves for classrooms, teachers, and birthday books. Need to pick a date for Fall and schedule now. Need to figure out the Angel Fund with Dr. Rheume. Value Packs – for all kids
  - c. Teacher Appreciation – Aubrey Crawford – Week of May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> – Theme is Hollywood Theme – decorating doors, involve the kids more, fan mail, flowers, Breckles massage and Park Grill and swag bags. Would like to have the teachers dress up as a character of their favorite movie and kids vote for their favorite one with prizes for the teachers.
  - d. Book Buzz – Charlene Williams - Thank you for the extra cash to get through the year – final meeting in May with the celebration of reading and working
  - e. Sips for Safeties – Charlene Williams - Spring Break good time to end – maybe start earlier – Jan – March – maybe a couple of weeks at the end of the year for lemonade.
  - f. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion – Stacey Hutchcraft Canvas boards for students, collecting photos, ice cream truck and things are in motion.
8. **Teachers Report** – Jane Nugent and Michael DeCenso – One Book One School – the flashlights were a huge hit. The book fair supplied so many books for all the classrooms and teachers. Lunch/dinner for conferences was delicious and great.
9. **Principal’s Report** – Nicole Filiccia – Mrs. Krotche is BACK! Supply list is in progress. Enrollment for Kindergarten is open – didn’t have to have the lottery for young 5’s. Field Trips are in motion. Kindergarten at

Pierce – Wednesday is June 15<sup>th</sup> - move up ceremony – will do something in the gym and then to Patterson Park for the picnic.

#### 10. Old Business

- a. Field Day Masks –
- b. Trombly Donation – Met with garden team and we will 3 benches. Will have a dragon, heart, and terrier and a dragon reading a book statue. Simple sign that states that it is a gift from Trombly. Quote is \$3878.65. Lead times of 23 weeks. Rebecca Fanning will check with facilities to see who can mount the new benches and dispose of the old one. Statue is \$282. Remainder will be a gift to Defer students. Butterfly Kits, plant labeling etc.
- c. School Kits – As soon as Mrs. Krotche get the numbers she can get quotes. Some places allow parents to order, some places have the school order and it gets shipped and distributed.

#### 11. New Business

- a. 2022-23 Board Nominations + Elections –
  - i. Next meeting in May will be voted on
  - ii. Christy Sherding – President
  - iii. Sophan Buffa – VP
  - iv. Erin Weakland – Recoding Secretary
  - v. Stephen Justin – Treasurer
  - vi. Jay Jay DeRosier – Communications
- b. Motor City Mitten Mission – is collecting reusable containers to provide meals for the homeless – Defer is going to participate and a donation box will be delivered to the office. Contact Sophan Buffa when the box is full and she will pick up.
- c. Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> – June 8<sup>th</sup> 6-7:30 – Ice cream welcome

#### 12. Member Comment(s)

#### 13. Adjournment – 7:47pm

**Next Meeting:**

**Member Meeting + Board Elections**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 7:00 pm**