



Defer Elementary PTO

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Defer Elementary School

7:00 PM

In attendance: Christy Sherding, JJ DeRosier, Michael DeCenso, Sophan Buffa, Beth Lowe, Kelly Warnick, Lindy Holloway, Lekeytria Felder, Lindsey Koczenasz, Michelle Shalhoub, Dr Rheaume, Patrice Arend Michelle Shalhoub, Dr. Rheaume, Jane Nugent

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – Christy Sherding- call to order 7:03 pm review of Mission statement and PTO membership
2. **Review of the Previous Minutes** – Sophan Buffa -Motion to approve; Lindy Holloway Second; Sophan Buffa None opposed, motion passed
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Stephen Justin- Review of Report about \$5,000 pending and about \$20,000 to be spent through the end of the year.
 - a. Lindy motions to approve Treasurer's report, Beth seconds motion passes
 - b. Directory renewal has increased their rates from \$2.50 to \$5.00
 - i. Stephen reached out to a third-party vendor for printing costs and found that it would be about the same as our current cost.
 - ii. Suggestion to go to online only.
 - iii. Other suggestion to offer directory at an additional cost.
 - iv. Ad support is not substantial enough to support the lower cost of the directory.
 - v. The decision needs to be made by March 31st. The app for the directory is more user friendly. Ask to add directory "how to use the directory app" the Facebook or the welcome videos.
 - vi. With the current app the app wipes out in August and is no longer available in September until the new information is updated via A-Z. Brian from GPPSS IT spoke with Justin about possible automation of the upload of student information.
 - vii. Voting for online only or book and online use will occur at the next meeting.
4. **President's Report** – Christy Sherding
5. **Vice President's Report** – Sophan Buffa
6. **Communications Report** – JJ DeRosier
 - a. Adjustment to the lunchtime sign up genius to change from specific classes to generalized grades. Dr Rheaume is to touch base
7. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Book Fair – Michelle Shalhoub
 - i. Set up is on the 17th with older classrooms to do preview. Monday 4th graders are to help the younger grades preview. Then shopping Tuesday and Wednesday. Friday the 17 there is testing in the book fair room Michelle is to touch base with Dineen regarding room availability, as the book fair is being delivered on Thursday the 16th.
 - b. Donuts with your Dragon – Christy Sherding/Sophan Buffa/Erin Weakland. TBD thought is moving to April and the ability to utilize the outside space. Potentially utilizing the Girl Scouts to hand out the donuts and facilitate the quick turnaround.
 - c. Spring Social – Lindy Holloway- Little league has cleared field for the date. Bounce houses have been booked with 6 total, NHS is available to help. Sign up genius for parent volunteers for bounce houses

and tattoos. Face painter Samantha Wittstock and Just ask Julia booked, 4 food trucks are booked. Joe Burger, Los dos Tacos, shaved ice and ice cream truck. DI team is confirmed to sell juice and pop. Diabetes team is going to do a sweet shack fundraiser. Current budget is \$2000.00, ask is to increase budget to 2,500.00. JJ DeRosier made a motion, Christy Sherding second none opposed and motion passed. Pierce has an Art club Lindy is going to reach out to Pierce for additional face painters. Left over Gatorade and water from the fun run to be given to the DI team to sell.

- d. 4th Grade Promotion – Lindy Holloway- 12 parents on the committee, John Martin confirmed for photos. Budget is \$1,000.00. Melissa Denner and Avra Maxwell are in charge of the slideshow.

8. **Teachers Report** – Jane Nugent and Michael DeCenso- great feedback from 1 book 1 school and teacher treats. Photos are going to be posted on social of the raffle winners from reading month. Dog visitors are being scheduled for later in the month.

9. **Principal's Report** – Lisa Rheaume

- a. Spring Concert is coming next week.
- b. Reminder for registration March Conferences registration go live happens 3/8 for the 22nd and 23rd.
- c. Magic of Science coming on April 18th as an assembly.
- d. Catch a reader coupon to go home, this will go in teacher newsletters and on social.

10. **Old Business**

- a. Teacher Appreciation Week – May 1st – 5th
- b. April 12th (Wednesday) 6-8PM – Open Skate Night at The Great Skate

11. **New Business** – We need a committee chair for school supplies

- a. Incoming 5th grader ice cream social June 1st 6-7:30
- b. Add a calendar event to Facebook for spring social and Christy to create a coming soon save the date document.

12. **Member Comment(s)**

13. **Adjournment** Adjourned 7:47pm

Upcoming Meetings:

- **Tuesday, 4/11/23, at 7:00 PM**