



Defer Elementary PTO

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Defer Elementary School

7:00 PM

In attendance: Christy Sherding, Sophan Buffa, Stephen Justin, Lindy Holloway, Jay Jay Derosier, Michelle Shalhoub, Doris Grose, Kelly Warnick, Mike Decenso, Jane Nugent, Nicole Filiccia, Lakeytria Felder, Maria Williams

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – Christy Sherding - called meeting to order at 7:02pm – reminder that in order to vote you must be a PTO member – can be one by purchasing a directory.
 - a. Review Mission Statement
2. **Review of the Previous Minutes** – Sophan Buffa – Lindy H moved to approve the Jan. minutes and seconded by Beth Lowe, minutes passed.
3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Stephen Justin – Lindy Holloway moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report and seconded by Beth Lowe, report passed.
4. **President’s Report** – Christy Sherding – 2 new co-chairs for staff appreciation week – Andrea Daniel and Aubrey Crawford – May 2-6
5. **Vice President’s Report** – Kristine Hayes – had her baby boy Thomas – Lindy Holloway went to the meeting – there will be 3 open seats coming up in the next BOE election if you have questions, you should consider talking with current members – diversity meeting at Richard
6. **Communications Report** – Erin Weakland – on vacation – no report
7. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Bingo Recap – Priscilla Barczyk – the prizes were a success and the night went smooth and we should keep it up
 - b. Spring Social – Lindy Holloway – Thursday, May 19th – 4 bounce houses and GPP police will come, looking into food trucks for the event
 - c. Book Fair – Sophan Buffa – March 21-25 – possible to have in an empty classroom – will decide – Michelle Shalhoub is chairing the event and will set up a sign-up Genius once location is secure.
8. **Teachers Report** – Jane Nugent and Michael Decenso – the bingo was a success and Tuesday treats are always appreciated.
9. **Principal’s Report** – Nicole Filiccia – Dr. Rheaume – baby Evelyn are doing well. Teachers love treats. Need lunchtime volunteers. One book one school – will be Stuart Little – Partnering up with Richard to buy finger flashlights for all the kids. Enrollment is moving slow but please encourage families to enroll as soon as possible. Kindergarten Transition Event is May 12, 2022. Melissa Hamouli will have the colours for the next year – it could be green. It will be in person in the gym traditionally as done before. Sophan made a motion to allocate \$250 for finger flashlights and seconded by Jay Jay Derosier and motion passed.
10. **Old Business**
 - a. Litter Signage – Feb. 16th – is the last day for students to submit entries

11. New Business

- a. Literacy Bins – ordered and have been delivered for the classrooms – 8 classrooms 3 and 4th grades – 25 titles of new poem books - \$1054.50
- b. One Book One School – will be announced once ordered
- c. Hot chocolate for the safety – will be pulled from the hospitality – kids will pick up from the kitchen
- d. Staff Conferences – PTO provides a lunch one of the days
- e. Skate Night – Lauren Nowicki will let us know when she gets a date
- f. Mike D. – Disk golf at Brize Park – St. Clair Shores
- g. Buschemis is on board to donate 20% of any purchases from Defer families with a form

12. **Member Comment(s)** – Lindy – Pierce has Great Skate night from 6-8, Wed. June 8th – Ice cream social welcoming the new 5th graders but everyone is invited – community event

13. **Adjournment – 7:32pm**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 7:00 pm