



## Defer PTO

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors and Officers  
March 13, 2018  
Defer Elementary School  
7:00 PM



**ATTENDANCE:** Megan Bejin, Sarah Boyd, Lisa Dougherty, Nicole Fonger, Lindy Holloway, Amy Leech, Sara Martin, Becca Ozar, Dani Raether, Lisa Rheume, Holly Ryan, Kelly Warnick, Heather Wiegand, Kelly Woolums

1. **Call to Order and Introductions:** *Heather Wiegand*
2. **Member Presentation/Request:** None
3. **Review of the October Minutes:** *Kelly Woolums*
  - Minutes approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** *Amy Leech*
  - Review of budgeted funds still available
  - Review of surplus funds available
  - First Amazon Smile Deposit = \$25.53
  - Still waiting on GPPSS checks for Defer Wear
  - Current Balance \$43,094.14
  - February Budget Report Approved.
5. **Vice President's Report:** *Kelly Warnick*
  - a. PTO council – meeting was short
  - 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's Speech at South 3/14/18
  - Push for getting Kindergarteners registered ASAP for Budgeting
  - 3/24/18 is Maire's Fair
  - Maire's Green Squad partnered with Motor City Mitten for mats for homeless with repurposed plastic grocery bags – in GP Magazine.
  - Ferry already has their Fun Run target purchase for next year: updated library
6. **Committee Reports:**
  - a. Volunteers – *Brooke Macuga*
    - o Nothing to Report
  - b. Fundraising – *Kelly Warnick & Nicole Fonger*
    - o Chelsea & Christy volunteered to help with the Fun Run next year

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c. Membership – *Lindy Holloway*

- Re-signed with A to Z Directory
- Ordered T-Shirts were Delivered
- Yellow T-Shirts for Kindergarten and Rainbow shirts for Young 5s might be handed out in May but they are not in the budget for this year. Can we purchase ahead of time. Defer will keep a list of registered students and handed out T-Shirts. Discussion was had regarding having a welcoming group for incoming Kindergarten & Young 5 students to pass out PTO information, events, pencils, treats, etc. with T-Shirts.

d. Hospitality – *Holly Ryan*

- Donuts with your Dragon
  - o Holly is looking for help with set-up, etc. Nicole volunteered.
- Teacher lunch for conferences
  - o Thank you to everyone who volunteered.

e. Communications – *Sara Martin* – nothing to report.

f. School Board Observer – Kelley McLean – Absent but sent notes

- Keep your eye open for 5120 Triangular policy for staffing elementary based on numbers in May which may mean that families with more than 1 student coming to a school may not have their child go to their home school based on caps on registrations. \*\*This is only for families who do not register by May 1<sup>st</sup> and does not include grandfathered students including Magnet students.
- Looking at how to save money and proposals for where programs will go, including Barnes school or administration property for sale to help offset budget.
- The High School and Middle School students are doing programming to honor the February 14<sup>th</sup> school shooting in Florida on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Scheduled walk-outs / support at each building.

7. **Teachers Report:** Janette High – Absent.

- Thank you for feeding us 😊
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8. **Principal's Report:** Lisa Rheaume

- Thank you for lunchtime enrichment.
- Town Halls honored special students nominated by their peers with honored seating.
- Dragon Dens talked about Charlotte's Web
- Defer Diversity Meeting rescheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm in the Library.
- District Diversity Meetings 3/22/18 at Mason 6:30pm
- *Leader in Me* mural is almost finished. Featured in the GP News. Go check it out it is pretty amazing!
- New inspirational quotes outside of the classroom doors picked by teachers.

- Parent survey going home with the Leader in Me program. 1 in the Fall and 1 now. Raffle for the families who turn it in the first 2 weeks. Looking for at least 100 families to take the survey. (10 minutes for survey.)
- Friday is the Read in. 3/29 Movie Day at Pierce.

9. **President's Report:** Heather Wiegand

- Still encouraging teachers to use their \$200 (full time) \$100 (part time) enrichment funds.
- Heather reformatted and sent new check request form.

10. **Old Business:**

- Green Squad Updates** (Kelly) –
- Disability Workshop** (Sara/Lisa D) - April 27<sup>th</sup>
- Bingo Night** - (Heather/Becca). March 23<sup>rd</sup> - Still looking for prizes and collecting them at Defer. As the PTO is a one and done fundraiser, it was suggested to advertise where the proceeds were going. Suggested for funds to go to paying for the Farmer John assembly. Kelly Warnick with take care of the popcorn. JNHS students will help out. Need adults to pick up 2<sup>nd</sup> chance drawing tickets.
- Spring Parent Social** (Lindy) - April 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00-11:00pm at Atwater. \$30/person buffet meal w/ salad & dessert, non-alcoholic beverages, cash bar. Max 100 people.
- Spring Social/Art Fair** (Dani) – JNHS
- Park Grille Donation** (Holly) – They offered to send the money back to the PTO to do something creative with the funds. Holly offered to pick up the check so that we can cancel the payment. Suggested to have the funds go toward the Gaga Pit and have a plaque and dedication ceremony as the Gaga Pit is going to be used by the community and Park Grille is part of the community.
- Playground Equipment / Gaga Pit:** Student group surveyed the student body about what new equipment students want and then presented the top 3 choices to the PTO. We decided to go with the Gaga pit as it is a quick game and all ages can play. Lisa met with the Mr. Mannino and suggestion was made to have the ball in the center space by the buddy bench. He said this is a good time of year because he is not busy yet and it can take start to finish 1 week to construct. Quoted \$1900 for the structure + suggested woodchip surface is \$700 extra. The district replaces the woodchips every year. Becca suggested that at Trombly the gym teacher took the students out to the gaga pit to teach them the rules before it was opened to the entire school

during recess. Lindy motioned to approve the installation. Motion approved. The District maintenance made the plaque for the buddy bench. Becca suggested that we ask them to see if they would make the plaque.

**11. New Business:**

a. Technology Coordinator Board Position (*Kelly Warnick*) \*\*Cut & Paste email Here  
Kelly motioned to approve the position. Motioned approved.

b. 2018/2019 Board Slate

- Next month is the members meeting. The board will approve the slate and the members will approve the board. Kelly McLean & Kelly Woolums to step down.

**12. Member Comment**

**13. Adjourn.** 8:00pm

**Next Meeting:** March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018