

Deer Creek Elementary
PTO Agenda & Notes
September 12, 2022 - 6:30-7:30pm

- 1) Welcome & Introduction
 - a. Becky Swoboda, Kim Skog, Tiffany Anderson, Niki Deitchman, Shanara and David Lassig, Sautner, Amy Lee, Chrisy Cailao, Amber Hage, Jackie Meyer, Lindsay Heyer, Jenna Frost, Katrina Stegert, Katie Lamb, Emily Roggenkamp, Ashley Reiersen, Shannon Bartnick, Tabitha Murphy, Elizabeth Holzer, Rachel Duerr, Erica Urness, Chad Clark

- 2) Secretary Report Niki Deitchman
 - a. Approve May meeting minutes
 - i. Motion to Approve: Jackie Meyer
 - ii. Second: Lindsay Heyer

- 3) Treasurer Report Becky Swoboda
 - a. Approve financials
 - i. Carry Over from Previous Year: \$20,000.36
 - ii. Expenses
 1. July 2022 – Sky Trip, Valley Bus - \$50.26
 2. August 2022
 - a. Crumbl Cookies: \$145.83
 - b. Wal-Mart: Fundraiser Expense: \$118.18
 - i. Water Jugs for Walk-a-thon
 3. Ending at \$19,686.09
 - iii. Revenue:
 1. Amazon Smile: \$78
 - iv. Motion to Approve: Jackie Meyer
 - v. Second: Lindsay Heyer

- 4) Update from Fourth Grade 4th Grade Teachers
 - a. Teachers Present – Mrs. Bartnick, Mrs. Duerr, Mrs. Holzer, Mrs. Murphy
 - i. Cardinal Time built into everyday
 1. Greeting ,share, activity
 - ii. Heavy emphasis in multiplication
 - iii. Book Clubs
 1. Because of Winn Dixie
 2. Mysteries
 - iv. Kids own their learning and reflective – find their voice and choice
 - v. Team building
 1. School wide learner profiles – learn more about their peers based on info on locker
 - vi. Coming together learning how teachers are grading assessments are a whole

- 5) Events & Activities Kim Skog
 - a. Papa Murphy’s – emailed request to continue has no response, phone call will be made
 - i. Dine to Donate

- ii. TBD on Dates
- b. Name the Cardinal – Dr. Clark will be announcing
- c. Back to School Bash – RECAP
 - i. Feedback/Comments
 - 1. Good feedback, meeting friends’ parents
 - 2. Open to other ideas
 - 3. Adding tables/chairs and tents for next year
 - 4. Add in canopy
 - a. Dr. Clark asking district to pay for it – permanent fixture
 - 5. Send Survey to all parents for feedback
- d. Fundraiser/Walk-a-Thon – LIVE today
 - i. \$1,600 so far
 - ii. Walk – October 7
 - iii. Students walk during their Specials Time
 - iv. Students Goal: \$40
 - 1. Any student that donates: Sticker
 - 2. Goal: Pop-it
 - v. Class Goal: \$900
 - 1. Dippin Dots party
 - vi. School Goal: \$20,000
- e. Bingo Family Night – potential date of October 27 (Dr. Clark will get back to us)
 - i. Funds request of \$1000
 - 1. Motion to Approve: Amy Lee
 - ii. Another meeting will be set up to go over details
- f. Book Fair & Conferences
 - i. Volunteer opportunities TBD
- g. Future Events: Movie Night, Dance Party, End of Year Picnic
 - i. Each event will be chaired
- h. Requests:
 - i. Parent request – basketballs
 - 1. Recess supervisor needs to bring out the basketballs
 - 2. We do have basketballs and Kim will relay to the parent
 - ii. School request – T-shirts for new students and staff
 - 1. \$6.50 per shirt
 - 2. \$1,350
 - a. Approver: Amy Lee
 - b. 2nd approver: Sautner
 - iii. Kindergarten Classes
 - 1. Lil Bitz Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
 - 2. 98 kids
 - 3. \$1,098 for 4 hours
 - 4. Dates: TBD in October
 - a. Approver: Jenna Frost
 - iv. Mr. Berkley Music Teacher
 - 1. Hardcover Music Books: \$87
 - 2. Handkerchiefs: \$11.93 (7 packs of 13)

a. Motion to Approve

i. Amy Lee

v. Idea – PTO will fund an outing for each grade

6) Principal Report

Dr. Clark & Mrs. Urness

- a. Cardinal Time – Create Positive Time in Class
 - i. Survey to students – Do they have one trusted adult in the building?
 1. Sept/October – students will intermix with teacher and grade level teachers
 2. November/December – students will go into other rooms
 3. January/February – students will intermix with other grades
 4. Mix up all K-5 students and teachers by end of year
- b. Goal of Cardinal Time: each child will have a 100% trusted adult at school
- c. Greeting
- d. Learner Profile – on lockers
- e. Teacher Profile – outside of classrooms
- f. Focus on Month
 - i. Positive Office Referrals
 - ii. Respectful/Resourceful/Responsibility
- g. Bad Children vs. Bad Choices – learn from your mistake
 - i. What are the replacement skills to correct mistakes?
 - ii. Job to teach kids to act appropriately before heading out into the real world
- h. Professional Development Day: September 26 (Teacher Off Site Learning)
 - i. Focus on relationships between the grades/specialized departments
- i. All School Assembly – September 30
 - i. Name the Mascot will be announced

7) Parent Open Forum/Feedback

Dr. Clark/ Mrs. Urness

- a. Impressed to see Dr. Clark to be in the parking lot directing traffic and managing the increased students
- b. Student pickup, look for parents' vehicles or parents park and walk to pick them up
- c. Push Seesaw updates for PTO events
- d. iPads
 - i. Schools decisions to send them home
 - ii. Each classroom can do what they want
 - iii. Will be sent home on snow days
- e. Virtual Learning vs. Snow Days
 - i. Bad Weather Forecast – they will be sent home

8) Seamless transition transferring into West Fargo

9) Important Dates

- a. Dress Up Days – next week
 - i. Monday – PJ
 - ii. Tuesday – Beach Day
 - iii. Wednesday- Western Day
 - iv. Thursday – Throw Back Day
 - v. Friday- Spirit Day
- b. September 26 – Offsite Learning Day
- c. October 17-18 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- d. October 19 – Offsite Learning Day

e. October 20-21 - No School