

Deer Creek Elementary  
PTO Agenda & Notes  
January 9th, 2023 - 6:30-7:30pm

- 1) Welcome & Introduction Tiffany Anderson  
Tiffany Anderson, Shanara Lassig, Becky Swoboda, Niki Deitchman, Katie Lamb, Lindsay Heyer, Ericka Urness, Nicole Bentley, Matt Peterson, Kyle Berkley, Katrina Siegert, Chrisy Cailao, Amy Lee
  
- 2) Secretary Report Niki Deitchman
  - a. Approve meeting minutes
    - i. Motion to Approve: Lindsay Heyer
    - ii. Second: Chrisy Cailao
  
- 3) Treasurer Report Becky Swoboda
  - a. Approve financials
    - i. December Expenses
      1. \$1705.15
        - a. Fundraiser expenses: Tshirt and Dippin Dots party
        - b. Teacher requests: Mr. Berkley & Mrs. Gauld
        - c. Reimbursement for movie night expenses
        - d. Tea order for tea trolley
    - ii. November Expense: \$1,760.85
      1. T-shirts for teachers/new students
    - iii. Revenue – none
    - iv. Motion to Approve: Katrina Siegert
      1. Second: Katie Lamb
  
- 4) Update from Specialists
  - a. Matt Peterson – PE teacher
    - i. Focus on soccer unit (2<sup>nd</sup> time this year)
    - ii. Health unit- every Wednesday, focusing on mental health and wellness now
  - b. Nicole Bentley – Art
    - i. Painting, drawing, sculpting,
    - ii. New displays to showcase artwork for each grade
  - c. Mrs. Melland – Librarian (read by Mrs. Urness)
    - i. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade battle of books update
    - ii. Library how-to's
    - iii. iPad distribution/turning off at 6:30
    - iv. iPads transitioning out end of January
  - d. Mr. Berkley – Music teacher
    - i. Last September a School Song was created about community and remembering as Cardinals
    - ii. Concerts
      1. 4<sup>th</sup> graders had Veteran's Day concert and showed photos of veterans in the background
      2. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – March 23
      3. 1<sup>st</sup> grade – April 20
      4. 5<sup>th</sup> grader – April 28

5. Kindergarten: May 11
- iii. 5<sup>th</sup> graders are focusing on jazz and will be going to a jazz concert
- iv. Classes create own music and share on See Saw

## 5) Events & Activities

- a. Papa Murphy's – no update
- b. February Dance – February 10, 6-8 pm – Amy Lee
  - i. Planning meeting: January 22 at 1 pm – Starbucks on 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave.
  - ii. Theme – Let Love Glow
    1. Centered about love and the things kids love
    2. 26 classrooms
      - a. Each class decorate foam board (\$190)
        - i. 2 weeks prior to dance
      - b. Vote from 26 boards to 6 final boards
      - c. Take photos of 6 boards and parents can vote for their grade-level board (most likes on PTO Facebook dance)
      - d. Board will be focal point at dance
    3. Foam sticks (\$1 per stick) vs. glow sticks - \$400
    4. Kones Creamery would come with a gelato cart
    5. Total Expenses: \$1,115
- c. Teacher Requests
  - i. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade request, 12 Wire Displays: \$348.12
    1. Motion to approve: Niki Deitchman
    2. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lindsay Heyer

## 6) Principal Report

Mrs. Urness

- a. Field Trips
  - i. 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Kick Band @ Horizon Middle School
  - ii. 1<sup>st</sup> grade: Planetarium
- b. Grade 6 teachers will be at school tomorrow to discuss music options in middle school during specials times
- c. January 16 – no school
- d. January 17
  - i. My School Bucks - purchase school milk

## 7) Parent Open Forum/Feedback

## 8) Important Dates

- a. Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> – Papa Murphy's Night
- b. Next PTO meeting: February 6th