

Deer Creek Elementary
PTO Agenda & Notes
March 6, 2023 - 6:30-7:30pm

- 1) Welcome & Introduction Kim Skog
 - a. Kim Skog, Amber Swenson, Ms. Fode, Mrs. Urness, Mrs. Evans, Ms. Kulesa, Ms. Mackner, Jenna Frost, Tyler Odegard, Katie Lamb
- 2) Secretary Report Niki Deitchman
 - a. Approve meeting minutes
 - i. Motion to Approve: Katie Lamb
 - ii. Second: Jenna Frost
- 3) Treasurer Report Becky Swoboda
 - a. Approve financials
 - i. Expenses
 - 1.
 - ii. Revenue
 1. Made about \$500 from dance
 2. Amazon Smile
 - iii. Motion to Approve: Jenna Frost
 - iv. Second: Katie Lamb
- 4) Update from Kindergarten K Staff
 - a. THANK YOU (in person) for the pumpkin patch field trip to Lil' Bitz
 - i. Budgeted line item moving forward.
 - b. Mrs. Kopp trained 5th grade leaders to help with kindergarten helpers.
 - i. A fun bonding time for kids and gaining skills from the little interventionists.
 - c. Cardinal time - Kulesa and Fode are on a committee to help with positive Cardinal culture:
 - i. Started out with a grade-wide mix up morning meeting, watch a story, color a picture (a quick 20 minutes)
 - ii. Building relationships within the school - then mixed within 3rd and 5th grade classrooms/kids and switched groups later in the year.
 1. Kids are smiling/waving at kids & staff within the building.
 - iii. Hope is to do a mix-up of the whole school before the school year is over.
- 5) Events & Activities
 - a. Papa Murphy's - Updates - \$162 earned from February.
 - b. Family Fun Night review
 - i. Fun time, loud, a bit crazy (climbing on bleachers) - questioning insurance coverage.
 - ii. Discussed how to communicate to families to follow expectations.
 - c. Upcoming End of Year picnic (May)
 - i. It will just be a family outdoor event - utilizing playground and basketball court, with some food. More info to come.
 - d. Book Fair

- i. \$30 Gift Certificate for all classroom teachers.
 - ii. Utilizing Library space to set up the Book Fair this year, teachers will hand out little flyers at the conference
 - e. Conference Meals – delivered around 2:30-3:00
 - i. Baked Potato Bar from McAllister’s on Monday
 - ii. Papa Johns pizza on Tuesday
 - f. Talent Show on Tuesday, May 23
 - i. Shanara & David Lassig (our co-Vice Presidents) has stage to bring us
 - g. Yearbook Katie Lamb
 - i. Student Cover contest – theme: Where in the world is Carmel the Cardinal?
 - ii. March 31 – all photos due for yearbook – link coming from Mrs. Cook
 - iii. Sales for Yearbooks: April 1-16, \$15 a book
 - 1. Design winners – will get a free yearbook
 - 2. 5th Graders – free yearbook
 - a. Cost: buying books for design winners & 69 5th Graders
 - b. \$991.60
 - c. Vote approved by those present in the meeting
 - iv. Hopeful dates: May 15 delivery to school, May 17 handout
- 6) Staff Request
- a. 4th and 5th grade request
 - i. \$249.76 for wire displays/picture hangers
 - ii. Motion to Approve: Amber Swenson
 - iii. Second: Jenna Frost
 - b. Mrs. Faller
 - i. March Madness – prize is Pizza Party (approximately \$100)
 - 1. Earn Basketballs to put outside classroom door
 - ii. Motion to Approve: Amber
 - iii. Second: Katie Lamb
- 7) Principal Report Mrs. Urness
- a. 5th Grade Ski trip – rescheduled from March 1 to March 8
 - b. Parent-Teacher Conferences March 13-14
 - c. Social Worker Appreciation Week
 - d. Battle of the Books Finale - Thursday, March 9
 - e. Yearbook sales coming up.
 - f. Grade 3 concert on March 23 @ 8:30am
- 8) Parent Open Forum/Feedback
- 9) Important Dates
- a. March 13/14 – Conferences and Book Fair
 - b. No School March 15-17
 - c. April 6 – Papa Murphy’s Dine to Donate
 - d. Next PTO meeting: April 3rd
 - e. No School April 7/10