



Dress Down passes will be given to families who attend the meeting. Volunteer hours earned for attending. Please record in the book under your family name.

PTO Meeting Minutes Jan 14, 2025 6:30

Welcome – President Julia Place welcomed all attendees of PTO and started the meeting.

Minutes –Co-secretaries: Tanesha Wilson and Trish Symister. Reminded the group that minutes are kept in the office, uploaded to the webpage, and a copy is sent with the newsletter.

Treasurers Report – Cristina Wright balance as of 1/7/25 6,490.92 Co-treasurer no nominations.

Vice President's report - Alicia Savela

- **Campus Clean-up:** Join us January 25th- Please RSVP to Eileen. Requesting volunteers to come in and assist with same. We need some help trimming trees by flagpole. Flag gets caught in trees sometimes and a bit problematic. Volunteers for cleaning up do not require registration.
- **Book Fair Night at Barnes and Noble:** PTO will provide additional activities in the children's area. *Classrooms will provide more info. Teachers sending out info.*
 - **Monday-** Reading minutes count begins
 - **Tuesday** kids can share books,
 - **Wed-** Book swap,
 - **Thu-** Barnes and Nobles. Each classroom does a little presentation. Flyers with barcode will be given out to track school purchases at Barnes and noble that day and school will give a portion of sales to us. Can also buy books online and use the barcode so school gets credit. Thursday is dress like old person day
 - **Friday** is PJ Day.
- **Clubs:** We'd love to see some after-school clubs. If you are interested in volunteering to chair a club, please submit a club proposal. If interested in being/putting together a parent sponsored club Julie will assist you to put a proposal together. Great activity for kids after school. Last year we had Lego club and Glee club. Opened to parents that are interested. **Tuesday off limits** due to tutoring. **Volunteers must be registered because you would be working with the kids. Ms. Graham will be doing Recorder Club this year.** Forms will be sent in February.
- **Jog-a-Thon:** Pledge forms will be going home in February. Forms will start going on at the beginning of February. **The date is February 21st.** Eight volunteers are needed for the day. Seeking volunteers to make a balloon arch, posters, and cheer on the students.

Please be reminded that any hours spent go towards the 10 total volunteer hours for the year.

Yearbook sales: Visit buytheyearbook.com to place your order. Early orders save \$! Our school ID is 1161397. The cost is \$25 by March 13th and then the cost moves up to \$30.

**Principal's report - Paul Galloway:**

Focus: State Testing Results- Results indicate that we are well on track to maintain our "A" rating. Last testing showed great results despite it being close to the Holidays. Results PowerPoint will be sent home with a copy.

- **Re-enrollment Commitment Forms:** Return by Feb 7th. Must be return by the date to ensure that all are aware of the count for next year.
- **Staff change:** There is a new member of staff. Miss Jennifer Lu is our new Art Teacher. Miss Jennifer is also a parent and she has been great coming on board for the rest of the year.
- **Class group photos** will be done Jan 15th. Please wear Uniform! No dress down passes accepted.
- **Science Fair:** The school is seeking those with science, math, and engineering experience to judge the **Science Fair on Jan 23rd**. School is in need of everyone's expertise. Please participate. A tent will be rented with PTO funds to be used on this day. Everyone is excited about this day!
- **Barnes and Nobles-** good behavior is necessary. Parents and adults are advised to watch kids carefully and ensure that all is on their best behavior.
- **New Website Project-** We are currently looking for new testimonials. Parents are encouraged to send testimonials by email if they would like it published on the website.

Teacher's Report – Mrs. Carlson: Gave teachers report.

- **1st Grade:** working on full names, phonematic sounds, sounding out letter/words, and reading.
- **2nd Grade:** working on fluency, full sentences, clear reading, and sounding out words.
- **3rd Grade:** fluency reading, comprehension, main idea, and full sentences.
- **4th/5th/6th:** Working on Science Fair is the main focus. Students are working on their project in class and their elevator pitch. The projects are very impressive this year.

Concerns and Comments:

- Someone asked about the grass on the playground. It is not holding up so well. No plans currently to address this.
- Question about cheering a chess club and funding it. The parent was advised to write up a proposal if they would like to cheer it. PTO will assist with putting together a proposal if needed.

Next PTO will be Tuesday, February 11th at 6:30