

Kruse Elementary PTO Meeting Agenda
February 12, 2024

Attendees: Megan Kirk, Sierra, Jen Koerlin, Mrs. Christie Chicco, Jon Oiler, Kirk Samples, Kelsey Minor, Tim Smyser, Heather, Jessica N., Stephanie Hodge, Jen Henrie, Allie, Jessica Harral

1. Call to Order
2. Approver January 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Allie – 1st; Sierra – 2nd
3. Old business
 - a. Kruse Parents of Neurodiversity – Alicia
 - i. First meeting – 1/29
 1. 4 families (mothers) attended
 - ii. Next meeting – 2/19
 1. 6:00 @ BJ's
 - iii. To send word out through teachers
 - b. Parent's Night Out - Recap - Jessica H. / Mr. Samples
 - i. >100 kids showed up
 - ii. \$510 in donations
 1. To go to shade structure
 - iii. Next time – some PTO volunteering will be needed
 - iv. Showed Trolls, minimal interest among students
 - v. Parents really didn't pick-up until 8:30 although movie ended ~7:45
 - c. Staff Appreciation Week - Jessica N.
 - i. Coffee cart
 - ii. Channel the Flannel
 - iii. Gift cards for each of the teacher
 1. In need of additional gift cards
 - iv. S'mores day
 - v. Lumberjack BBQ lunch
 - vi. Little thank you notes from the students
4. New Business
 - a. Principal's report - Mr. Samples
 - i. Kindergarten enrollment for 2024-2025 at ~30 right now, hoping to get to 50
 - ii. For 2024-25, Kruse projected to be at 390
 1. Down from 480-490 over Mr. Sample's tenure
 2. 3-section school: 3 classrooms/grade level
 - b. Treasurer's report - Jen H
 - i. Funds for shade structure have been passed to Pam
 - ii. Rollerland brought in \$550 as a fundraiser
 - iii. King Soopers - \$355
 1. Push links to set up King Soopers cards as easy fundraiser
 - iv. Box Tops would be helpful
 1. \$.10/box top but often have additional promotions

2. Currently only 8 families participating
3. Download app and scan receipt – nothing else is needed
4. Ask Monty King to put back on Facebook
- c. DAB report – Karrie (from Megan)
 - i. Still figuring out role of DAB
 - ii. Focus:
 1. Importance of diversity recognition
 2. Graduation with options
 3. New literacy curriculum
 - a. Bumpy rollout
 4. Transportation challenges (bus driver shortage)
 - a. Synchronize/optimize bell schedules for transportation
 - b. Allow for the reduction of 10 busses
 - i. Savings of \$1.5 million/year
- d. March PTO meeting date (during Spring Break)
 - i. Move to March 4
- e. Bike to School Dates – Heather
 - i. Date still to be determined
 - ii. Federal funding received by the city to extend Power Trail underneath (underpass) Harmony
- f. Annual Fundraiser – Anna (from Megan)
 - i. March 22 – April 3
 - ii. All ready to go
 - iii. Glow in the dark party
 - iv. \$500 level will receive a paintable tile to be hung in school
 - v. \$30,000 total stretch goal for the year
- g. BINGO - Jessica H
 - i. February 23rd
 - ii. Cafeteria reserved
 - iii. Monty to be bingo caller
 - iv. Light snacks to grab as families enter
 - v. Little prizes order
- h. School Supplies - Jenny L.
 - i. New company – School Toolbox
 - ii. Ship to homes (free if >\$75)
 - iii. Similar pricing as previous years
- i. New President
 - i. Nomination – Megan
 1. Nomination of Sierra Miller and Rochelle Reynolds
- j. Update Signers on Bank Account
 - i. Megan is relinquishing all signing authorities for the bank account
 1. Megan’s name has been removed from PTO bank account
 - ii. Jen establishing plans to connect with Rochelle and Sierra at Bank to add names to account

5. Adjournment @ 6:50

6. Dates Coming Up

- a. BINGO- Feb 23
- b. PTO Meeting March 4th
- c. Bookmark competition - Bookmarks due 2/22 - Winners announced 3/1
- d. Kruse Toward Tomorrow Kick off March 22nd.