

Kruse Elementary PTO Meeting Agenda  
November 13, 2023, 6:00 – 7:00

Attendees: Megan Kirk, Becky Himich, Jen Koerlin, Rochelle Reynolds, Jen Henrie, Elena Windsong, Kaitlin Summers, Karrie Grama-Hatfield, Kelsey Minor, Anna Becerra, Alicia Atchison, Monty King, Jessica Herral, Jon Oiler, Kirk Samples, Tim Smyser

Allie, Becky Himich, Jen Koerlin, Jennie, Anna, Rochelle Reyo, Monty, Mrs. Summers, Jon, Stephanie, Mary Beth

1. Call to Order
2. Approve October 2023 Meeting Minutes
  - a. Rochelle – 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Allie – 2<sup>nd</sup>
3. Old business
  - a. PSD Calendar Survey – Karrie
    - i. Compiling feedback
    - ii. Steady trend for Start after Labor Day, Conclude before Memorial Day
  - b. Book fair- Charlene via Megan
    - i. Sales down from last
      1. \$140 to each teacher
      2. \$360 to Library
  - c. Giving Tree – Natascha
    - i. Need an update
  - d. Increase Parent involvement
    - i. Parent's mixer scheduled for November 30<sup>th</sup>
4. New Business
  - a. Principal's report - Mr. Samples/ Mrs. Longacre
    - i. Each grade level has had a team day to visit the district office to learn new literacy curriculum
    - ii. Lockdown drill today (11/13)
  - b. Treasurer's report - Jen H
    - i. Taxes successfully filed, thanks to Scott
    - ii. Fund raising
      1. 20% back from Learning Express November 25<sup>th</sup>
      2. Waiting for Modern Market (\$373.10)
      3. Chipotle (\$317.58)
    - iii. Check to Pam for classroom grants
      1. \$450/classroom
  - c. DAB report – Karrie
    - i. District is back peddling on school zoning changes
      1. Changes coming 2025-2026 school year
      2. 1/3<sup>rd</sup> families are 'choicing' into schools
        - a. Push to realign school zoning map was an effort to get messaging out ahead of choicing decisions
  - d. Wellness Club – Heather
    - i. World Class Tae Kwon Do
      1. Asking PTO
    - ii. T-shirts are designed
      1. Student designed, collage of student drawings
  - e. Parent Night Out – Heather
    - i. Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. STUFT Burger

1. 10% of proceeds
      2. Email to RSVP (but not necessary)
      3. Pam to email out announcement
    - iii. DC Oakes (Percentage nights restricted to Mondays, booked up well in advance)
      1. Consideration for next fall
  - f. Shade Structure – Megan
    - i. Had budgeted \$13,000
      1. 14x14 = \$12,900
      2. 16x16 = \$14,700
    - ii. Unanimous support to expand budget to larger 16x16
  - g. Another Movie Night - Mr. Samples
    - i. Pajama themed movie night
      1. Maybe parent night out?
        - a. Megan to reach out to high schools to provide support for Kruse faculty/staff (a couple of high school students + faculty/staff member)
      2. Free popcorn as opposed to concessions
      3. Suggestion nominal donation (~\$5)
  - h. Newsletter Content - Ali/Megan
    - i. PTO positions to fill
    - ii. Calendar
    - iii. Shade structure update
    - iv. Things teachers like to receive for the Holidays
    - v. Teacher links to Donor's Chose
  - i. Group Photo for website
5. Other Business
  - a. Ideas for individual gifts for all the teachers (\$5-\$7/teacher)
  - b. Megan's last meeting will be February, to help pass the torch
  - c. Battle of the Books –
    - i. Really long program, October – March, vs 8 weeks (Kruse tradition)
    - ii. District sticking with long calendar but Kruse will start, meet your group immediately before Holiday Recess
      1. Closer to 8-week tradition at Kruse
    - iii. 72 students registered
6. Adjournment
7. Dates Coming Up
  - a. 11/25 - Learning Express (11am-8pm) --- Fundraiser
  - b. 11/30 – Parents' Night Out at STUFT