

Kruse Elementary PTO Meeting Agenda December 9th, 2024

Attendees: Rochelle, Sierra, Erica, Elena, Jen, Christie Chicco, Becky, Stephanie, Jon, Heather, Jen, Alli, Kelsey, Tim, and Kirk Samples

1. Call to Order at 6:04
2. Approval of November 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve – Jen H. 1st; Jon 2nd
3. Old Business
 - a. Giving Tree – Sierra
 - a. 44 families, 219 individuals
 - i. Over \$1000 donated to fill remaining holes
 - ii. Great push at the end to meet outstanding needs
 - iii. Set up in empty classroom to sort
 - iv. Every family will get a grocery gift card
 - b. Martin Family Chiropractic supported
 - c. First Advantage Bank would like to continue to support in years to come
 - i. Seeking opportunities to expand community involvement; interested in extending tree to their facility to allow clients to support
4. New Business
 - a. Principal's Report- Mr. Samples
 - i. Thank you for community to support, what the Kruse communities does to support those in need
 1. Thanksgiving dinners
 - a. 30 – 40 turkeys distributed to families
 - b. Distribution was difficult, need to pick-up from school in future years
 2. Coats and Boots –
 - a. 50-60 coats and boots distributed to Kruse kids
 - b. Treasurer's Report- Jen H.
 - i. Please send receipts
 - c. Battle of the Books- Stephanie
 - i. We have 5 5th grade teams, 5 4th grade teams, 4-5 3rd grade teams
 1. Room for additional 3rd and 4th grade participants
 - ii. Books on hand
 - iii. First meetings are scheduled before winter break
 - d. Annual Fundraiser Ideas- Sierra
 - i. Kirk conducting a survey of Principals throughout network
 - ii. Ideas:
 1. Field trip support (largely transportation due to bus needs)
 - e. Wellness Club – Heather and Jon
 - i. Laminated placemats for Meals on Wheels as a service project
 - ii. Water bottles for participants
 - f. Fundraisers:
 - i. Red Robin – January 15th
 - ii. Sierra coordinating with Pam for April (so that donations would go directly to Kruse as opposed to having to pass through PTO)

- iii. Going back to same company for school supplies next year
1. Nominal funds returned to PTO as fundraiser

5. Other Business

6. Adjournment at 6:23

7. Important Upcoming Dates:

- a. January 13th- PTO Meeting

- b. January 15th- Red Robin Fundraiser

- c. January 24th- Skate Night at Rollerland (4PM -7PM)