

February Agenda 02/16

Wednesday / 16 February 2022 / 7:00 PM / ZOOM ONLY!

<https://psu.zoom.us/j/98317797940>

Attendees: Rebecca Desmarais, Terri Buchignani, Jamie McClintock Brenner, Jonna Belanger, Eve Bellinger, Liz Minich, Jackie Huff, Erin Loy, Verna Hale, Jendy Cicero, Christy Junod, Opeyemi Soetan

President Rebecca Desmarais called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

AGENDA

1. Principal's Remarks
 - a. Dr. Quinter was out sick and was not able to attend
2. Introduction of officers & members
 - a. Officers and attendees introduced themselves by answering the ice breaker "If you owned a boat, what would you name your boat?"
3. Approval of January minutes
 - a. Jendy Cicero moved to approve the January minutes. Eve Bellinger seconded. Minutes are approved.
4. Treasurer report and updates
 - a. The full treasurer report can be found on page five of the minutes.
 - b. Brought in \$795 for Basket Bingo already
 - c. New teachers receive some funds to spend on setting up their classrooms
 - d. Over \$33,000 in accounts currently
 - e. One reimbursement was to Rebecca for putting together pencil bouquets for Valentine's day. Teachers were very pleased with pre-sharpened pencils!

5. Penguin warm up update

- a. Already distributing items. Items are stored at the Secretary's house for now as they are being laundered. Send requests through the PFE PTO facebook page to obtain items. Share with any officer, and they will get the request to Jamie

6. Crossing guard update

- a. Not doing well so will be moved to a community because he cannot live alone any longer
- b. New crossing guard is happy to be out there.

7. Basket Bingo updates - Feb 25th

- a. More reminders will go out this Friday via email
- b. Do not have to play bingo or purchase raffle tickets to join the fun on zoom the night of the event
- c. Lots of donations from local businesses and Usborne books
- d. Baskets photographed this weekend and will be shared on social media next week
- e. The Barbie scenes are especially fantastic this year
- f. Ticket requests this year have been down thus far. Anticipating it may be smaller this year than in years passed.
- g. Bingo winners will get prizes

8. Yearbook Ads available - March 1st-21st

- a. Karen Martin took over preparation of the yearbook this year
- b. Using TreeRing company to print them this year - only have to buy exactly what people order rather than having to purchase a set amount and try to sell them all (which was the case with Josten's)
- c. Increase cost to \$22 to differentiate from ads to track the purchases more easily
- d. Will be delivered before the school year is over

9. Slam Fair - April 18th-May 6th

- a. Science, Literature, Art, and Music
- b. Ms. Maser has already reached out to the specials teachers to start making plans
- c. Used to be in-person until 2020. Instead of projects and performances being live, they are recorded and displayed on flipgrid. This allows use of animals and live experiments that might not have been allowed in-person!
- d. Can upload submission starting April 18th

10. Spikes Ticket ideas

- a. PTO was approached by Spikes baseball to find out if we wanted to do a group ticket event for our school
- b. We have to decide on a date and format if we want to do this - Possibly second week of June (week after the last day of school) - We are leaning toward June 7th (Tuesday) and the bull pen because it's close to the kid zone
- c. Families pay for tickets but at a discounted rate and pick them up at will call. Also a discount on food purchases.
- d. Would be a way to use funds that students raised this year for them this year - Most likely will create form for families to sign up to order tickets and to indicate if they need PTO to purchase their tickets

11. Lost and found storage

- a. Purchasing a new storage rack so more items can be stored neatly with labels and can be reached by the kids

12. Summer Bridges books

- a. Typically the PTO pays for the Title I students to get the books - asking Dr. Quinter to find out why that is the case rather than Title I funds covering the books
- b. Books are meant to keep the kids learning and thinking throughout the summer
- c. Families whose children do not receive Title I support can purchase books themselves

13. Scholastic book fair update

- a. Scholastic is no longer doing virtual book fairs - they are not finding it lucrative and the shipping has been delayed - we do not feel it is appropriate to do an in-person fair this year - other elementary schools are doing it in person after hours and we don't think that is going to result in strong sales
- b. Using Usborne books this year (Corl Street has used them before)
- c. Will be a virtual fair - access to the entire book catalog online - teachers can make wish lists
- d. After we spend \$250, we get 50% back in books
- e. Will be in April
- f. Dr. Quinter is supportive of the change
- g. Can use books we get back from sales to provide books for the book picnic in May (got book bucks from Scholastic in the past and teachers could use them to purchase items for their classrooms - not cheaper than purchasing at a local store so not as strong a benefit as books from Usborne)

14. Any other items

- a. There were not other items.

There being no further business, Eve Bellinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. Verna Kale seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Jamie McClintock Brenner



Date Submitted: February 23, 2022

Date Approved: March 16, 2022

NEXT MEETING -

WEDNESDAY, **March** 16, 2022/ 7:00 PM/ Zoom ONLY!

PFE PTO Treasurer's Report

February 15, 2022

PAYPAL Account

Income (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Budget Category	Amount (net)
Spirit Wear	\$38.11
Basket Bingo	\$795.55
TOTAL PayPal Income:	\$1,571.15

Disbursements (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Date	Description	Amount
NONE		
	TOTAL PayPal Disbursements:	\$0.00

Fees (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Budget Category	Amount (net)
Spirit Wear	\$1.89
Basket Bingo	\$34.45
TOTAL PayPal Fees:	\$36.34

February 15, 2022 PayPal Balance: \$2,210.38

NORTHWEST BANK Account

Income (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Date	Description	Amount
01/31/2022	Interest	\$0.07
TOTAL Northwest Bank Income:		\$0.07

Disbursements (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Date	Description	Amount
2/9/2022	Check #1410 Jonna Belanger; Penguin Warm Up (printing for scavenger hunt)	\$42.17
2/9/2022	Katherine Stone Check #1412; Mini Grant - Pocket Constitutions	\$44.00
2/9/2022	Michele White, Check # 1413; Winter Stipend, Reissue of check	\$50.00
2/9/2022	Check #1414 Jennifer Jones; New Teacher Grant, Winter Stipend	\$150.00
2/9/2022	Check #1415 Eileen Peachey; New Teacher Grant	\$100.00
2/9/2022	Check #1416 Ona Gabriel; Mini Grant- March Picture Book Madness (Instructional Support)	\$233.97
2/9/2022	Check #1417 Renee Link; New Teacher Grant	\$100.00
2/15/2022	Check #1418 Rebecca Desmarias; Teacher Appreciation -- Valentines for Teachers	\$119.47
2/15/2022	Check #1419 State College Area School District; Basket Bingo -- Printing Services	\$77.00
TOTAL NORTHWEST Bank Disbursements:		\$916.61

****Checks in red have not been cashed*

February 15, 2022 NORTHWEST BANK BALANCE: \$7,066.43

PNC BANK Account

Income (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Date	Description	Amount
1/19/2022	Venmo Transfer; Warm Wishes Meal	\$29.93
TOTAL PNC Bank Income:		\$29.93

Disbursements (1/19/2022 – 2/15/2022)

Date	Description	Amount
NONE		

TOTAL PNC Bank Disbursements:		\$0.00

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February 15, 2022 PNC BANK BALANCE: \$24,154.56

TOTAL PTO Funds: \$33,431.37

Submitted by: Terri T. Buchignani _____ Date: February 15, 2022

Upcoming Expenses for January/February:

- Basket Bingo
- Yearbook
- Spikes Tickets?
- Summer Bridges