



LESTER PTA MEETING MINUTES

Time: Wednesday, April 20 2022 at 7:00pm(US and Canada)

Call to Order (Lisa Kelsey) 7:03pm

Secretary's Report (Liz Pankner):

- Request to approve [PTA Meeting Minutes 2.16.22](#)
- Thank you for completing your agenda updates early!

Treasurer's Report (Kristen Wiklund): Please see attached for Treasurer's Report and Outstanding items.

- [Treasurer's Report](#)
- [Outstanding items](#)

President's Report (Lisa Kelsey):

- Nominations Information coming next month- Only president- elect, pending the rest of the board wants to continue
- May Meeting Update: May 18th - plan on in person meeting with an event after the meeting TBD
- Virtual Field Trips- If you are interested in helping plan these, please reach out to Lisa.

President-Elect (Kristen Avery): no report

VP Programs' Report (Angela Hassan):

- Lots of fun end of the year events are happening, thank you for your continued flexibility in planning!
- If you know that you will no longer be a Committee Chair for your committee next school year, please let me know. I will publish a list of open positions sometime in May. **Please note:** I will continue to keep you on Committee Chair emails and communications lists through the end of the school year to help in transitioning new people into Committee Chair roles.

VP Fundraising Report (Erin Montana & Julie Jurek):

- We raised \$107.59 from the March burger joint fundraiser. Thanks to all who dined at the Eagle Restaurant Friday. We look forward to hearing back about how much was raised.
- Winter Fundraiser (Kristen Avery and Kara Gordon): Bootlester Bash netted approximately \$37,000! Thanks to our wonderful committee, sponsors and parents for making this possible!
- Fun Run (Julie Jurek): We are beginning our early planning, please let us know if you'd like to join the committee

VP Communications Report (Julia Mazurek & Jennifer Gawel): No report

VP Membership (Sara Schad):

- We would like to get the directory up and running by summer



Principal's Report (Katie Novosel and Lauri Smith)

- Thank you to PTA for bringing virtual field trips back!
- Thank you for the welcome back party after spring break in the lounge :)
- Kindergarten Cosley Zoo visit
- Grades 1-3 district field trip Lyman Woods & Grades 4-6 Morton Arboretum
- Open House-Thurs. April 28 6:00-7:30 (*encouraged to attend alphabetical times in newsletter)
- Most of IAR testing complete- finishing makeups
- Reminder to register and/or communicate moves. (Encourage your friends, too.)
- **District 58 Facility Videos**
 - [Video 1: District 58's Facility Needs](#)
 - [Video 2: Facility Maintenance and Renovation](#)
 - [Video 3: Safety and Health](#)
 - [Video 4: Moving Sixth Grade to the Middle School](#)
 - (OK to post to PTA website, Facebook, Eblast; may need to pull down from communication platforms when the motion goes in front of the board in August)
- More information to come regarding the state funding for the playground improvements

Teachers' Report (Mrs. Andorf, Mrs. Beard, Mrs. Zikis):

- Thank you for all you do. We really enjoyed the Egg hunt and post- spring break celebration and are looking forward to the virtual field trips.

Committee Reports:

- Cub Club (Alison Gustafson / Tina Nammari)
 - Cub Club/PTA had a table at kindergarten round-up and captured names and emails as people entered. The email list will be used both for Cub Club this summer and the PTA e-blasts in the fall.
- Expressions Art Show (Erin Montana & Julie Feigel) - Thank you to Mrs. Moravec who helped us photograph all of the students' artwork for a video to be shown at Open House
- Family Reading Night (Angela Hassan & Candice Richmond) - Will take place on Thursday, May 26th at 7PM outside on the east blacktop. More details to come.
- Fun Lunch (Lisa Kelsey & Shannon Deguiulio) - Working with Skuddlebutts (Al's) on a couple Fridays before the end of the school year
- Hospitality-Teacher Appreciation (Sara Chad, Karissa Campione, Kristen Avery) - welcomed teachers back from spring break with a beach party in the lounge. We are planning another celebration before the end of the year. Teacher appreciation is the week of May 2nd, working on specifics.
- Lester Gardens (Andrea Paris & Julia Salisbury) - Spring Work Day coming up, more information soon!
- Room Parent/Class Ambassador (Jen Gawel)
 - End of the year gift emails will go out soon
- School Supplies (Jackie Szalanski & Karissa Campione) - Supply sale is officially underway through June 12. All online. Lots of advertising - yard signs at school, posters, flyers, weekly email newsletters, facebook. Email schoolsupplies@lesterpta.com if any questions or issues.
- Science Olympiad (Angie Erickson) - May 4th from 6:30-8:00. Team assignments will be emailed to



participants by next week. We still need parent volunteers to lead classroom activities!!! We have about 200 kids participating.

- 6th Grade Party- (Jessica Chase & Angelique Stacy) -
 - Party is planned for May 20 3-5pm.
 - T-shirts are ordered and vendors/DJ are scheduled.
 - Committee is meeting next week to solidify plan and will provide update to Mrs Novocel after the meeting.
 - Committee is requesting \$500 extra for party budget instead of \$1150 originally requested. Board to vote on extra budget during the meeting.
- 6th Grade Yearbook (Jessica Chase) book is complete in order has been placed, they will ship May 13th directly to the school. I will submit the invoice to the PTA once it is received for payment. Plan is to distribute during the 6th grade party.
- Mother/Son event- Thursday, May 12th. Cosmic bowling theme at suburbanite bowl. Invite will be going out soon

Unfinished Business:

- Teacher Appreciation Committee requests an additional \$750 for this year's budget to allow the committee to use surplus PTA funds for Lester's teachers and school nursing staff- APPROVED
- 6th grade party requests additional \$500 to allow for tent rental and increased costs- APPROVED
- Daddy/daughter dance requests additional \$1,000 in budget for use of tent- APPROVED

New Business:

- PTA Closet Clean Up Committee: Julia M, Julie J, Sara S, Jen G, Angelique S, Katie F, Erin M. Please let us know if you'd like your name to be added. Lisa will reach out with more information.
- Please note special meeting minutes for additional new business items.
 - [PTA Special Meeting Minutes 5.5.22](#)

Meeting adjourned at: 8:15pm

For more details and important dates, please view the Lester PTA calendar on our website:

<http://www.lesterpta.com/calendars>