

Delaware Elementary PTA meeting agenda  
September 5, 2023 6:30-7:45pm

Attendance: Becky Sapp, Sarah Crispen, AJ Tilus, Carrie Naber, Tara Lambert, Tiffany Christensen, Jennifer Mcoy, Kate Fairfax, Taylor Madison, Alyssa Anderson, Valerie Mullin, Amanda Robinson, Chelsea Clark, Lacy May, Gina Frizzell

Introduction

- Call to order Carrie Naber 6:34 PM

Secretary's Report- Carrie Naber

- Review – meeting minutes posted online for May and August

Treasure's Report- Sarah Crispen

- Venmo does not support non-profit organization.
  - Look at either Paypal or Square
- Change to playground fund to \$5000 general fund to playground fund
- General Fund: \$6,054.48
- Playground fund: \$56,327.74
- Vote on final budget in October
  - \$3,140

Hospitality- Courtney Whittington

- Any updated cares and concerns – Carrie Schultz – husband broke his back (surgery)
- Teacher survey – conference meals – Fiesta – second semester

Book Fair- Val Mullin

- Update – working on gaining access to account
- Tina Bishop – new contract from Scholastic
- Chelsea reached out to contract from last year
- Breakfast and wish list – big items from last year

BoxTops

- Download the app and scan your receipt put school

Family Activities- Amanda Robinson

- Fall Event-
  - Possible dates: October 14
    - Potentially 9 – 12
    - Fall activities, classrooms decorating pumpkins,
  - Option A- PTA stand alone event. Classrooms plan and decorate a pumpkin and we host trunk or treat event and do voting by change for pumpkin contest
    - Open gym – monster bash dance
    - Pumpkins donated
    - Sign up genius for supplies (have paint on-hand)
  - Option B- **Pancakes, Pumpkins & Monsters, OH MY!**

- Pancake Breakfast - Delaware help with sales/marketing Kiwanis would bring in the people for the pancake breakfast
  - Pre-sell tickets and walk-in sales (ticket sales during conferences)
  - Do we need to rent tables?
  - Tickets: \$8; \$7 if they have costumes (pricing to be determined)
  - Kids create placemats for tables
  - Shifts for kids to clear tables/set-up

#### Fundraising- Becky Sapp

- Spirit nights:
  - August- Grannys ice cream 8/23- \$250 Donation
  - September 29<sup>th</sup>- Chuck E Cheese – no school that day – come in anytime – let them know you are there for Delaware
  - October- Applebees 10/10 All day
    - Potentially have kids wear SEP gear and hand out menus
  - November 14<sup>th</sup> - Arby's 5 – 8 PM; families to sign up and clean tables
  - December- Posey & Jetts TBD
  - January- Texas Roadhouse TBD
  - February- Sugar Shack TBD
  - March 7<sup>th</sup>- Urban Air 4-8pm (need to change dates)
  - April- None (RamATHon)
  - May- Over The Top TBD
- Fundraisers:
  - Cookie Dough
    - September 1<sup>st</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> with Assembly on the 6<sup>th</sup>
      - Assembly and kickoff was moved to the 6<sup>th</sup>
    - Count day will be the following week either 9/18 or 9/19
    - Delivery potentially Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>
    - Need help sorting
  - Butterbraids
    - November 7<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>
    - Count day will be the following week
    - Delivery December 11<sup>th</sup> 4:15 with pickup from 4:45-6:00
  - RamATHon
    - April 2024 Dates TBD
  - Jeffe Pop Popcorn
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade celebration fundraiser?

Additional ideas: Kendra Scott – jewelery – partner with schools - Mother's Day fundraiser

Pampered Chef

Funky Zebra

Main Stream Boutique – Ankeny

Iowa Wild – singing national anthem – 4<sup>th</sup> grade

New business:

- October meeting: Vote on spending money to order stencils for the playground
  - Paint and stencil
  - Shuffle Board
  - \$300 per stencil
  - AJ: Provide quote for next meeting and vote on next meeting
    - Location: rack and where second and third graders line up
    - After school
- Update on any playground grants more inclusive playground
  - Looking at fine print/approval from School Board
  - Elise starting looking into next steps for quotes for ground covering
  - Needs playground committee:
    - Kate and Jen McCoy to lead
      - Chelsea to send out note to parents asking if anyone interested in joining committee.
      - Wellmark Foundation Grant
      - Prairie Meadows
  - 50 or so grants we may be eligible
  - Contract information from playscapes
- Old Business
  - Reminder: Pay Membership dues to treasurer
    - \$5.00 annual membership fee
      - Paid by cash or check to Delaware Elementary PTA

#### PRINCIPAL/TEACHER UPDATE

Leader in Me Grant – prairie meadows - \$20,000

- Signs in hallways, announcements digital board, Wildly Important Goals scoreboard, murals

Delaware asked to speak at Iowa Best Summit

- Data - lower percentage of chronic absenteeism 23% (missed 18 days or more)
- Decreased the number of absenteeism across the board
- State assessments improvements
- Document that lays out information
- Teachers to contact every parent to check in
- Send at least 5 postcards out in the month
- Biggest piece – relationship between home and school
- Looking at implementing a Coffee and Conversations with Chelsea – low-key parent conversations – creating open dialogue between school and home

#### **Teacher Updates**

Finishing up a Reading and FAST

Leader in Me – live announcements, songs, birthday announcements

Mission Moment – leader in me focus – challenge for the day

NEXT PTA MEETING: TUESDAY OCTOBER 3RD, 2023 @6:30-7:45PM  
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