

MANCHESTER



PTO MINUTES

Month March	President Sarah Freeland <i>sarahfreeland@hotmail.com</i>
Date 03.01.2021	VP Megan Thom <i>megthom@gmail.com</i>
Time 6:30 pm	Treasurer Mary Metschke <i>mebeling@hotmail.com</i>
Location Zoom	Secretary Amy Ruhlman <i>amyruhlman8@gmail.com</i>
Called by President Sarah Freeland	Communications Kolleen Benjamin <i>kolleenbenjamin@gmail.com</i>

4th Grade Team & Mrs. Wiley (Guidance) Guest Speakers

Thank you for your update on the school year thus far!

Please reach out to Mrs. Wiley by mid-April if you would like to virtually present about your career or hobby for the Virtual Career Fair.

Current PTO Budget Report

Treasurer Mary Metschke reviewed the current budget for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Vote on Funding Touchless Ice Maker for Teacher's Lounge

All PTO Members present on Zoom Meeting voted unanimously to fund up to \$7000 for purchase, delivery, and setup of touchless ice maker. Enjoy Manchester Staff!

Committee Chair Reports

- Family Dinner Nights (Thank you Christy & Paige!)
 - Upcoming Family Dinner Night will be March 30th and 31st at Marcos Pizza from 11 am – 10 pm for carryout or delivery. Please remember to mention Manchester Elementary when ordering.
 - Chipotle is scheduled for April 20th.
 - Please share Manchester Family Dinner Nights on your personal Facebook page!
 - Let's choose to support the local businesses who support Manchester!
- Conference Dinners (Thank you Stephanie & Jessica!)
 - PTO Funds were used to provide catered Paradise Bakery & Café and Jimmy John's dinners for Conferences.
- Valentine's Day Party Recap

- Thank you to all who provided snacks, games, crafts, etc. to make these parties a success!
- Staff Appreciation Week (Thank you Kolleen, Michelle, Rachel, and Stephanie!)
 - Thanks to PTO Funds and the generous donations from so many families in the Manchester Community, the Staff was able to enjoy a Take N Bake Pizza, Coffee Cart, Two Lunches, Decorated Cookies, Gift Cards, and Snacks and Drinks for the remainder of the school year.
 - Sincerest Thanks and Gratitude to everyone who contributed towards appreciating our incredible Staff!
- Carnival
 - Carnival as we know it will not take place this year. We hope to resume this fun evening the Spring of 2022!
 - In place of Carnival, there will be a Kona Ice evening with stationary and traveling trucks throughout the neighborhoods.
- NSCAS Encouragement 2.0 (Thank you Laura!)
 - The NSCAS Pep Rally will be replaced with each student receiving individual notes of encouragement, snacks, and small gifts for each day of testing in April.
 - Be on the look out for volunteer opportunities to set our Manchester Students up for success!
- Art Show (Thank you Rachel!)
 - There will be a virtual link to each student's individual artwork available Monday, May 3rd.
 - A Live Auction will also be taking place Monday, May 3rd.

Principal's Report

Mrs. Addink shared the following:

- Thank you to the Manchester Families for everything you do to continue to support and appreciate the Manchester Staff!
- Kindergarten Parent Meeting via Zoom is scheduled for Monday, April 5th.
- Conversations and planning for 5th Grade Outdoor Education, Fun Day, Field Day, and Fifth Grade Graduation are taking place. Stay tuned for additional details.
- The NSCAS April testing dates are set and available by grade in the March Newsletter.

Looking forward to seeing everyone for the next PTO Meeting! Mark your calendars for Monday, April 12th at 6:30 pm via ZOOM!