

MANCHESTER



PTO MINUTES

Month November

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Date 11.01.2021

VP Carey Ronspies *careyronspsies@gmail.com*

Time 6:30 pm

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Location Library

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Called by Mary Metschke

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5th Grade teachers, Mr. Heath (PE), and Mrs. Patchen (Music)

- The 5th Grade teacher shared the experiences of their Outdoor Education two day field trip at Camp Kitaki. So many fun activities for the students (and teachers)!
- Mr. Heath and Mrs. Patchen also participate and lead the students in some activities at 5th grade Outdoor Education.
- They are also looking into more opportunities for co-teaching and new activities!
- Mrs. Patchen also updated us on protocols in the classroom. She is very hopeful for 4th and 5th grade to do their music program on December 7th! More information to come.

Current PTO Budget Report

Treasurer Mary Metschke reviewed the current budget for the 2021-2022 school year.

Committee Chair Reports

- Family Dinner Nights
 - Chipotle will be November 9th. This is one of our more generation family dinner night participants. 33% of sales will go back to the PTO. Make sure to mention Manchester when ordering.
 - December 13th Family Dinner Night will be Eat Fit Go located in Village Point by Scheels. More information will be posted.
 - Thank you again Christy Leesly for setting up these amazing dining establishments!
- Fall Party Recap

- We have received a lot of positive feedback for this year's fall parties. The parade was so much fun and we are glad we got such wonderful weather to enjoy!
- Thank you Melanie Krings for working with the room parents to help set up!
- Book Fair
 - The book fair will be online this year and run from November 1-14th. Don't forget that you can donate to your teacher's E-wallet to help them get new books for their classrooms!
- Spirit Wear Recap
 - Round 2 of spirit wear orders is available until November 22nd. Orders will arrive around early to mid December. Just in time for the holidays.
 - Thank you Michelle McLaughlin and Karissa Burroughs for another opportunity to order.
- Square One Art
 - Square One Art orders will be due November 10th. Flyers should be sent home soon with your student for more information.
 - Thank you Mary Metschke for setting this up. These are always a fun gift!

Principal's Report

Mrs. Addink shared the following:

- For our Veteran's Day Celebration (November 11th) the students can wear red, white, and blue or their boy and girl scout uniforms. The assembly will be held over the news broadcast.
- This year we are partnering with Womenade of Elkhorn to sponsor this year's Celebration of Giving!
 - From November 22nd- December 2nd you can stop by the school's office (before or after school) to pick a mitten. These mittens list an item that you could purchase.
 - Wrapped gifts should be returned to school no later than December 9th at 3:00PM. Make sure to attach your mitten to the outside of your gift.
 - Last year this program helped over 125 Elkhorn families!
- Student Council will be having their canned food drive from November 15th-19th.
 - These donations will go to the Foodbank for the Heartland. The classroom with the most donations will earn a smencil for each student!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at next year's PTO Meeting! Mark your calendars for Monday, January 10th at 6:30 pm in the library!