

MANCHESTER



PTO MINUTES

Month September	President Megan Thom <i>megthom@gmail.com</i>
Date 09.13.2021	VP Carey Ronspies <i>careyronspies@gmail.com</i>
Time 6:30 pm	Treasurer Mary Metschke <i>mebeling@hotmail.com</i>
Location Library	Secretary Michelle Kilgallon <i>mkilgallon686@outlook.com</i>
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Second Grade Team Speakers and Mr. Schweitzer (Guidance Counselor)

- The Second Grade Team went over the curriculum for the 2021-2022 school year, including the new math curriculum.
- Our new guidance counselor, Mr. Schweitzer, extended his appreciation and thankfulness to everyone for the warm welcome.

Current PTO Budget Report

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

Committee Chair Reports

- Walk-A-Thon
 - Walk-A-Thon will take place during school hours on September 24th.
 - Donation deadline is Friday, September 24th to be eligible for prizes.
 - Classrooms will be staggered to allow social distancing.
 - T-shirts will be provided for all students. Please have them wear their shirt, as well as, comfortable shoes. There will be a fun surprise at the end!
 - Please extend a huge thank you to all of the incredible efforts of the Committee Chair and Team for making this year's Walk-A-Thon a reality – Kayla Navin, Melanie Krings, Kelly McMeekin, and April Reineman.
 - Kona Ice will be at Whispering Ridge Park Friday evening from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM to wrap up Walk-A-Thon with a portion of the proceeds going to Manchester's PTO.
- Family Dinner Nights
 - Starting September 28th at 11:00 AM and ending September 29th at 10:00 PM will be Marco's Pizza on 1904 N 168th Street.
 - Place an order online and 20% goes back to the school. If you order by phone, it will be 15%.

- The classroom with the most orders will get a pizza party! Don't forget to tell them you are with Manchester Elementary and whose classroom your student(s) is/are in. You will be able to select multiple teachers on one order if ordering online.
- Family Dinner Nights will generally be planned for the second Tuesday of each month.
- Thank you, Christy Leesly, for organizing Family Dinner Nights!

- Online Directory
 - We have gone beyond our 50% goal and have reached about 87% of Manchester families registered in the directory. Students got an extra recess!
 - There is still time to register and update your information in Manchester's Online Directory. This will help keep you in contact with classmates and also access to the Teacher Wishlists.
 - Thank you for all the work you do to keep us in contact Mikayla Spangler and Jennifer Coe!

- Spirit Wear
 - Spirit wear orders should be ready in about 2 weeks.
 - If you missed this round of orders, be on the lookout for another round sometime in the next couple of months.
 - Awesome job with the planning and execution of the Spirit Wear Orders Chairs Michelle McLaughlin and Karissa Burroughs.

- Yearbook
 - Thank you Melanie Krings, Tami Kruse, and Melissa Kersten for all of the time and effort you put and will put into the yearbooks this year!

Principal's Report

Mrs. Addink shared the following:

- Manchester's Staff continues to be thankful and grateful for the support of our Manchester Families, especially during this time with health and safety guidelines and restrictions.
- Our biggest concern this year is the cough. There is a link to the Elkhorn Public Schools' protocol in the September Newsletter.
- Manchester's enrollment is currently 550 students including 28 new students and 74 Kindergartners.
- Volunteers are welcomed this year to help our school nurse, Sara Bird, with health screens on October 25th. Volunteers will be required to wear a mask.
- As of now, field trips and the 5th grade field day will resume this year!

Looking forward to seeing everyone for next month's PTO Meeting! Mark your calendars for Monday, October 4th at 6:30 pm in the library!