

Elms Elementary School PTN

January 15, 2025

General Meeting Minutes

1. Called to order by Stephanie Falzarano and welcome to all.
2. Reports:
 - a. Treasurer: reported by Nikki Wiese- General \$26,792.63; Gaming \$67,596.92, but some needs to be transferred over for Grants given to Teachers. Includes Holiday Shop, WinterFest and any December fundraisers. Does not include Penny Wars yet.
 - b. Corresponding Secretary- reported by Jennifer Herkert- thank you notes from Mr. Burgos, Mrs. Pagano-Hein, Mrs. Villecco, and Ms. Zecca's class.
 - c. Principal- reported by Mr. Burgos. Clubs are up and running, 5th grade basketball, Snowman Contest. Staff climate team is planning a Paraprofessional appreciation day celebration. 3rd annual Career Day coming up. 2nd annual ELL night on Feb 6th, 1st one on our own, last year joint with Switlik. 5th grade Basketball showcase on January 22nd, 5th grade Chorus concert on January 23rd. Off on Monday 1/20 in recognition of MLK Day. Souper Bowl drive coming up.
 - i. Update on Strategic Planning-last meeting last week, Superintendent to present model to board on Wednesday, January 22nd. No decisions are final until the Board approves it. Special Meeting in early February to vote on it.
 - d. Teacher Liaison-none
3. Voting Items
 - a. December Meeting Minutes- Motion by Alicia Lasko, Seconded by Keri Ann Scott, all in agreement, none opposed, passed.
4. PTN Updates/Committee Report
 - a. Educator of the Year and Educational Support Professional of the Year: Mrs. Avila and Mrs. Feibelman. Awards presented in December at Board of Ed meeting, PTN bought them lunch and Amazon Gift Card as congratulations.
 - b. Snowman Contest running now-nothing edible. All submissions in by 1/30 to be voted on.
 - c. Candy Bingo- made \$390, had 9 families join the PTN. Great time, lots of candy for all. Thanks to Kerry Rush for helping prep beforehand, and help during from Kerry Rush and Carrie Bassano.

- d. Penny Wars- raised \$1904.38: 1st Place-4th Grade, 2nd Place-5th Grade, 3rd Place-3rd Grade. 1st place will receive full size Philly Pretzels for everyone in the grade, 2nd and 3rd places will receive half size pretzels.
- e. Daddy Daughter Dance-March 29th, Saturday this year, from 4-6pm. Theme is The Greatest Showman. If anyone is interested in helping out in the planning and decorating, please reach out. Will be setting up the Friday before if anyone can help.
- f. Mom/Son Night-February 28th for grades 3-5 from 7:30-9:30, and March 21st for PreK-2 from 6:30-8:30. If anyone can help on the 21st please reach out so the chairs can participate with their sons.
- g. Souper Bowl Can Drive-week of February 3-7, bring in canned goods and “vote” for which team will win by placing your canned goods into the respective teams bins, all will be donated to Jackson Food Pantry.
- h. Valentine’s Grams-available to purchase now until February 7th. 2 different options to choose from.
- i. Read-a-Thon-Donations start February 17th, Reading starts March 3rd through March 14th. Read Across America week is March 3rd-7th, night event March 5th.
- j. Book Fair-same week as Read Across America, will also be open at night on March 5th during Family night for Read Across America. New table of books will feature “Modern Classics”, such as Charlotte’s Web and others. Looking for help during the night event on the 5th, as well as anyone interested in learning about how the Book Fair runs in order to take over for next year.
- k. Yearbooks-Last day to order January 21st. Have to know how many pages the book will be. Trying for extensions but not guaranteed right now. Did decide to let 4th graders design the back cover, submissions are due tomorrow morning, voting will be during the day tomorrow and finals submitted to Walsworth on Friday. Anyone with a child in a club, pictures will be taken February 21st. Janine Figueroa has volunteered for a special page dedicated to 4th Grade baby pictures, requests will come through the teachers. Recognition ads have also been opened to the 4th grade parents, due by 1/21.
- l. Volunteers Needed: Holiday Shop, Book Fair, Penny Wars, Winter Fest, Teacher Appreciation, Carnival, Plant Sale and more to come...
- m. Board Position vacancies next year-Co-Presidents and Recording Secretary
- n. Open Floor-no questions
- o. Adjournment-Motion by Janine Figueroa, 2nd by Danielle MacKrell, meeting adjourned.