

**PTO Meeting Minutes**  
**May 3, 2023 6:30 p.m.**  
**Deerfield Elementary School Library**  
**and Virtually**

**Call Meeting to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM.

Attendees: Kim O'Shea, Michelle Schwab, Sarah Hart, Valerie Manning, Carrie Ammerman, Kelly Kramper, Kailee Borchert, Sarah Riffle

**Approval of Minutes from April Meeting**

Minutes approved.

**Principal's Report:** Melinda Kamrath

-Laps for Learning is scheduled for Wednesday May 10. Families are asked to return any envelopes with funds to the DES office at any time. Any funds will be used to purchase another sun shade or outdoor seating for the playground.

-I am in contact with a muralist Darla Erato who is highly interested in working on the staircase area this summer. She would like to involve staff/students in designing and painting. I am working on pricing. She has a Deerfield connection so it would be very reasonable. I would like to recommend funds of \$1000-1500 to be earmarked for this. The district would pay the remaining amount. The full wall mural that was completed the last time was close to \$20000, just to put into perspective the pricing.

-I am researching some enrichments for the fall. We are trying to mix it up with some different artists and media. The staff have asked for the 3 screens entertainment as that has not been here for many years and was always a big hit. I will work on it during the summer and have a more complete list in the fall. I would like us to keep the same dollar amount earmarked for enrichments. If anyone has any suggestions, just send them my way.

-I would recommend the following items to be considered for spending any remaining funds on:

(these prices are approximate from Lee Recreation )

-Sunshade \$5000 (assembly, installation, shipping)

-Traditional benches with backs \$700-1000

-Outdoor seating-picnic style \$1000-1500

-Any of the sensory room items that were listed:

Large Bubble Tube:

[Hurricane Bubble Tube](#) (\$1,699.00 - no water so less maintenance)

Sensory Tiles:

[Floor Tiles](#) (Set of 4 is one of each color \$269)

[Crash Pad](#) (\$125.95)

Thanks for your continued support of the school. Staff and students are very appreciative of you. Thanks!!!

**President's Report:** Sarah Hart

Carrie Ammerman has been voted as our new president for next year! Yay!

**Treasurer's Report:** Denise Kelley

**Budget for 2023-24**

Motion to use the same budget from 2022-23 and remove the Winter Dance. Budget approved!

Any additional money can be allocated throughout the year.

Our budget for next year is \$12100, we are looking for where to spend the surplus.

What about helping pay unpaid lunch and student fees?--funds have always been school related, so instead of

using PTO funds, run a fundraiser.

We have \$1700 that we have voted to pay for 2 benches. Motion approved.

### **Committee Reports (if there are updates)**

- **Craft Fair – Carrie Ammerman**
  - Updates
- **Craft Fair Raffle – Sarah Hart**
  - Updates
- **Culvers Share Night – Kate Brattlie**
  - **Made over \$800**
  - **Thanks to Kate and all the volunteers**
- **Family Dances – Sarah Hart, Missy Felio**
  - Updates
- **Clothing Fundraiser – Keleigh Gassen**
  - **Preparing for next year, will be ready to buy and order at Ready Set Go**
  - **Website orders from Aug 8-18, pickup before school starts**
  - **Shop the store event on Wed, Sept 13th**
  - **Another order event before Homecoming**
  - **Booth at Craft Fair**
  - **Ordering after Thanksgiving for Christmas**
- **School Kidz - Jenny Andersen, Danielle Johansen**
  - **Ordering has ended. Waiting on final numbers.**
- **High Five Event – Sarah Hart, Victoria Larson**
  - **May 26th–DJ, Outdoor events, and Sundaes**
  - **Will be getting a volunteer sheet out soon.**
  - **Valerie Larsen will be handling Sundaes and topping donations**
- **Teacher Appreciation Week – Allison Ledbury, Michelle Schwab, Valerie Manning**
  - **Adam catering**
  - **Donation from KwikTrip for \$100 to go towards snacks–any extra funds will go to more snacks**
  - **Keleigh put together teacher gifts–they look great!**
  - **Kim O’Shea is working on donating coffee and donuts for one of the days**
- **Supply Drive – Kim McAloon**
  - Updates

### **Teacher’s Report**

#### **Other Business**

**Meeting dates for next year**

**7:00 PM is a better time, Meetings on (most of the last) Wednesdays, Keeping hybrid**

**Dates–Sept 27th, Oct 25th, Nov 29th, Feb 28th, MAR 20, Apr 24th, May 15th**

#### **Adjourn**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.**