



Defer Elementary PTO

Tuesday, October 8th, 2024

Defer Elementary School

7:00 PM

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – JJ DeRosier call to order at 7:04pm
2. **Review of the Previous Minutes** – Brittany Swineford
Tim motions to pass, JJ seconds. September minutes pass
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Tim Kolar and Emily Szymczak Smock
October and November are the biggest months for activities.
JJ motions to approve September budget, Lindsey seconds. Budget is approved.
4. **President's Report** – JJ DeRosier
Fun Run was a fantastic time. We are projected to beat our overage of last year. Andrea will have final numbers when she is able. Thank you all for the participation!
5. **Vice President's Report** – Ashley Nosek
Ashley attended the first PTO council meeting of the year. A lot of information about the sinking fund. There will be no meetings in December or January. \$100 is due for membership fees.
6. **Communications Report** – Lindsey Koczenasz
There is a lot to share on social media right now. Everything will slow down after the Fun Run sponsorships are done.
Progressive Dinner is less than two weeks away. Push for ticket sales. Please interact with posts. We still need a dessert host.
Haunted garage ticket sales are in full swing
7. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Fun Run- [Andrea Gruenwald](#)- end of week donations are done. Totals will not be finalized for a couple of weeks. We had great feedback this year!
 - b. Beautification- Lindsey Studders- There was a great turnout for the secret garden clean out. Bulbs will be planted around the school.
Fall decor for the centennial celebration will be put up around the outside of the school.
 - c. Directory- Sarah Coats and Martin Steiger- everything is ready to go but we are waiting on vendor.
 - d. Progressive Dinner- Beth Lowry- October 19
Have an appetizer house set.
Paris Events has donated a bartender and setup for appetizer house.
October 17th is the last day to sign up.
Asking for a \$500 increase in funds for Progressive Dinner so that we are able to use the Tomkins Center for Dessert. Motion passes
 - e. Haunted Garage- Nicole Luyk- October 25. Ticket sales are ongoing.
 - f. Scholastic Bookfair- Leah Tocco, Monique Abshire and Assia Likomonov- December 10-14. A lot goes into the planning of the fair. Volunteers are needed.
 - g. Board of Education observer- Andrea Daniell- nothing to report
 - h. Donuts with your Dragon- Donuts have been ordered from Yates. Girl Scouts will be making signs.
 - i. Craft fair- Cara Rossi- December 14. Social info to come soon
 - j. Inclusion committee- Kelsey Howard- Bulletin Board for October is up. October is "Global Diversity Awareness Month"
8. **Teachers Report** – Jane Nugent- Thank you to everyone for the Fun Run

9. **Principal's Report** – Lisa Rheume- Thank you to everyone and all the volunteers so far this year.
The generosity in our community is amazing.
Parent teacher conferences are on Wed/Thursday.
Excited about the Centennial celebration, November 3rd during the District Open House.
Please read the Defer newsletter, it contains important information.
Election Day is November 5th- No School

10. **Old Business**- Teacher lounge is slowly moving along.

11. **New Business**

Centennial celebration is on November 3rd. We will be opening a time capsule from 10 years ago. A lot of fun things are happening behind the scenes.
Request for \$1750 from general fund to be moved to centennial celebration fund. Fund is approved and moved.

12. **Member Comment(s)**

Picnic tables to be replaced because they are rusty. We need to get an estimate on pricing so that we can get an idea of how much we will need from Fun Run funds.

13. **Adjournment 8:10PM**

Upcoming Meetings:

- Stay tuned for announcements on upcoming events via Smore news and our Defer PTO social channels.
- November 14, 2024