

# McDole Elementary School PTO – Minutes

Action Items in *Red*

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**Date:** January 19, 2021

**Called to Order:** 7:06 pm

**Attendees:** Jen Kmiec, Jen Crocker, Bridget Hagspihl, Jenn Schlipp, Christine Simmons, Jake Countryman, and several others via Facebook Live. The Board Member Zoom screen was live streamed on the PTO Facebook page. (approx. 19 zoom participants)

## **Welcome and Introductions**

### 2020-2021 PTO Board:

Jennifer Kmiec – President

Bridget Hagspihl – Vice President

Christine Simmons – Treasurer

Jennifer Crocker – Assistant Treasurer

Jennifer Schlipp – Secretary

Jake Countryman - Principle

## **Secretary Report:**

Jenn Schlipp - the November meeting minutes are available on the McDole PTO website. There was no meeting in December. I motion to waive the reading of the November minutes; Jen C seconded; all agreed.

## **Treasurer's Report**

- Jen Crocker: Budget Update- still need to reimburse allergy kits of the donate fundraiser. Another Amazon smile donation. Please continue to use the amazon smile on your purchases. Check cleared for the pumpkins. We ordered supplies for critical thinking
  - Jen K. motioned to approve. Bridget seconded; all agreed.

## **Committee Reports:**

- **Family Fun Nights**
  - Gingerbread Houses - thank you to everyone who participated. Randomly chosen winners received snowman building kits.
- **Dining Nights Out**
  - Culvers - Jan. 12th - check will be mailed to the school.
  - Open Range - Feb. 17th 4-9pm- Sugar Grove - local business

## **New Business:**

- Sherry at the school is collecting winter coats and snow pants for students to use at recess. That can be dropped off at the McDole Office. School can help with pick up also.
- **Valentine's Day:** *district is prohibiting all passable items cards, food and non-food items are not allowed.*
  - **Valentine's For Seniors:** Village of Montgomery also doing. Collecting homemade valentines in a mailbox in the entryway of McDole to be distributed to seniors. Collection Dates: 1/19 - 2/05.

- o Valentines treat from PTO: “Frosty Keychain” - supporting the Dave Thomas Foundation, providing for every student. Take the frosty keychain to wendy’s and you can get a free frosty all year!
  
- **Staff Requests**
  - o **Ann Mann & Julie McCombs:**
    - 3rd grade requesting a class set of 25 books of the BoxCar Children to be able to do a whole group novel study. \$175 (approx) (amazon link on request expired)
    - 3rd grade is requesting 4 classrooms of individual white boards (amazon comes in a pack of 24) to replace for each class. \$140 (approx). School will look for better deals on white boards too.
    - Jen K - PTO motioned to approve books and white boards to not exceed \$400.  
Jen K motioned to approve, Jen C seconded; all agreed.
  
  - o **Robin in office:** is requesting that we replenish their stock of school contact magnets. They will be given out to incoming Kindergarteners. It was suggested we include the McDole PTO website on the magnet. PTO will begin pricing: Vistaprint; Imagination Print & Design; quantity of 500 would last for several years. no vote required.
  
  - **Jake: thank you to everyone who continues to follow safe practices. Remote students: please send more pictures from home. Wear it Wednesday: send pictures of yourselves participating to decorate halls.**
    - o “Wear It Wednesday” - send pictures to [11056@kaneland.org](mailto:11056@kaneland.org) - sent out in McDole Messenger 1/18
      - 1/20 - Mismatch Clothes Day
      - 1/27 - Western Wear (cowboy and cowgirl)
      - 2/03- College Day- show us your favorite college
      - 2/10 - Show the Love Day: red/white, hearts, etc...Valentines in nature
      - 2/17- Disney & Marvel Day: character inspired
      - 2/24- Sports Day - Favorite Team or Sport
  
  - **Other Business**
    - o **Upcoming:** Pizza / Donut - partnering with Luigi’s pizza in Aurora. Fun shape each month. We’ll be selling individual pizza with pick up at the school - make your own pizza.
    - o Thank you to the staff that helped with Game nights! Tons of fun!!! We plan to do another one.
  
  - **Next Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021 virtually - 7pm Zoom, live stream to PTO FB page.**

**Important Links:**

- Directory: <https://mcdolepto.ptboard.com/> School Code: UU8FKG
- Online Reimbursement Request Form: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/#/reimbursement-requests/>
- McDole Staff Favorites Survey: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/#/favorites/>
- PTO Website: <http://www.mcdolepto.org/>
- PTO Bylaws and Volunteer Code of Conduct: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/aboutus>
- PTO Facebook Page: Search “McDole PTO” in Facebook to view or to be added to the group.
- Kaneland Calendar: <http://www.kaneland.org/calendar>

The meeting adjourned at **7:33 pm.**