

PTO Meeting Agenda/Minutes

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In attendance: Katie Dobbie, Ann Lin, Samantha Cucu, Maeran Uhm, Trisha Shah, Shalini Jayasundera, Koren Clinkscale, Liz Arnkoff, Allison J, Murali Mani, Harini Sundaraghava, Lisa Teshima, LaVon Mejia, Shital Patel, Carly Ly, Nicole Bhave, Van Patterson, Emily Fine, and 5 more attendees.

Called to order: 6:30 pm

1. Minutes - Reviewed previous meeting's minutes
 - a. Motion to approve minutes: Shalini Jayasundera
 - b. Seconded: Liz Arnkoff
 - c. Vote: Approved

2. Principal Report - Mrs. Clinkscale - A couple wonderful things that occurred throughout our Fall. The Harvest Moon Festival was a great success. Thank you to the volunteers who helped out at the event. Bagel Friday was another success last month and we are looking forward to the next one being indoors. Thank you so much to all the families that donated for the Fall/Thanksgiving donation drive. For the holiday giving donation drive, we will be asking for specific items for our in need community. Also, I was wondering if we have a parent volunteer to order and pick up donuts/cider/clementines for the Turkey Trot next week on November 22? If interested, please reach out to Koren. Also I am looking for a parent volunteer to help out at Turkey Trot. The Turkey Trot is an all day event, but volunteers can volunteer for only half a day if that works better.

3. Teacher Report - Ms. Shah - Thank you to all the volunteers who came to the Harvest Moon Festival - it was a great event. Teachers have been appreciating the super fast mini grant reimbursements this year. Mrs. Vosters' class explored the King Learning Garden. Mr. Hyuck and Mrs. Hong are doing reading buddies together with books from the book room. Mrs. Burril wanted to say thank you for the books she's been able to buy. Some King Students have started doing K-grams with University of Michigan students. The mission of K-grams is to establish a strong community of learning for a wide range of college and elementary students, staff, and families by developing positive relationships and experiences that extend beyond the classroom. Finally, Teachers with rooms that are used for after school activities have asked that the classrooms please be returned to the same condition as they were found. Lisa Teshima added that the King community is so welcoming and she loves having the parent volunteers.

4. Treasurer Report - Shalini Jayasundera - We have not only met our goal for the General fund, but exceeded it. Our goal was \$15,000 and we are currently at \$17,421.05. We have been excited to see the teachers using their mini grants. This year the board really wanted to not only bring back the field trip budget, but increase it so that students could enjoy field trips again. Teachers, please reach out if you would like more information about the budget for field trips or have ideas that you would like to discuss with the board.

5. Committee Reports -

- a. Bagel Friday- Ann Lin-Next Bagel Friday is December 9th from 8:00 - 8:40 am in the multi purpose room. This event will coincide with the last purchase day of the King Fall Book Fair. This will be a fun opportunity for parents/students/teachers to experience Bagel Friday while making final purchases at the Fall book fair.
- b. Book Fair- Mandy Hutton -The Book Fair is taking place December 5-9, with plenty of before and after-school opportunities for parent shopping! We will have after school shopping on Wednesday and Thursday from 4:00 - 6:00 and before school shopping on Friday from 8:00 - 8:40 during Bagel Friday.
We need lots of volunteers to help make the Book Fair a success! Please consider signing up for a time slot or two to help with set up, previews, sales, and clean up. It's a great way to get to know all the different teachers at King, and the excitement on the kids faces during Book Fair is so fun to see. Our sign up genius for volunteers is here:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ca5aa2aa7f58-20223> We are also asking teachers to set up their own eWallets, so that families can donate to their teachers. The links for teacher eWallets is coming soon. Liz Arnkoff asked about how parents can support families in need? Mandy - we set aside Scholastic dollars to pay for books for families in need.
- c. Restaurant Community Nights- Liz Arnkoff - The return from the Panera Community Night was \$320. We are still waiting on the return from Noodle & Co. Tomorrow is Pizza House Community Night from 8 am - 10 pm. Gift cards will count towards our total and can be purchased by emailing sbaker@pizzahouse.com and mentioning the King fundraiser. All gift cards purchased will either be mailed or emailed by December 18. I'm hoping this year we can beat our participation from last year. Last year we had \$1700 in sales and King received \$267.
- d. Harvest Moon Festival- Carrie Lewand-Monroe (not able to attend) Katie Dobie gave an update - phenomenal festival. Thank you to all the parent volunteers and high school volunteers that participated.
- e. Learning Garden - Sherry Grant (not able to attend) Katie Dobbie gave an update- **Sherry is still looking for a volunteer to take over as coordinator next year.** Sherry also updates the King Learning Garden Facebook page if anyone wants to take a look.

- f. Math Club - Yunus Zeytuncu - no update
 - g. Teacher Appreciation - Jessi Kishiyama (not able to attend) Katie Dobbie gave an update-still have FEB/MAR/APR slots available. Please contact Jessi if interested.
 - h. Silent Auction- Carly Ly/ LaVon Mejia - Silent Auction date is March 10, 2023 and will be hosted at the school. Stay tuned for more information through the dream keeper and the PTO newsletter. Carly- we are looking to coordinate/partner parents of 3rd/4th/5th grade students with parents of Y5/K/1st/2nd grade students so that we can continue to collaborate between the different generations of King families and bridge the gap of institutional knowledge from one generation to another. We will be putting out sign ups for different volunteer roles. We are not going to be soliciting many business donations, but rather lean into the family/teacher/school involvement donations this year which tended to make more money in the past.
 - i. Community liaison - Rafael Mejia (not able to attend) LaVon Mejia gave an update-Thanksgiving donations requests were all filled. Holiday donation requests will be coming soon.
 - j. Disability Awareness volunteer needed to partner with Mrs. Cucu - The Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living does workshops for 4th grade students and I have been working with their workshop organizer on putting together a workshop for King 4th grade students. The workshop will take place on Wednesday, March 15th. I will need a 4th grade parent volunteer to work with me on coordinating the disability awareness workshop. We are also looking for people with disabilities/differing abilities that might want to share their differing abilities with the workshop.
 - k. PTOC - Jessica Kishiyama (not able to attend) Katie Dobbie gave an update -The Ann Arbor PTOC is the umbrella organization supporting PTOs throughout Ann Arbor Public Schools. The mission is to promote excellence in our schools through communication and advocacy. They have meetings every month from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. If anyone is interested in attending, knowing more, or being a part of that organization, please reach out to the PTO.
6. Addressing questions: Vani Patterson asked - My daughter is in kindergarten and I am wondering why we have the mandate for kids to take home their chromebooks every day? Why do kids have to bring them back and forth?Mrs. Clinkscale- per the district, the reason that kids bring them back and forth is for security of the computers and for charging the computers at home, so that they can be used in the classroom. The classrooms currently don't have enough charging stations. Liz Arnkoff - Other schools have lock box cabinets for the computers, can King do something similar? Mrs. Clinkscale will look into possible solutions.
7. Old Business
8. New Business -
- a. Project Snowman signup genius coming up!Be on the lookout.
 - b. Staff Holiday luncheon to look forward to December 16

c. Need volunteer for turkey trot- buy and deliver donuts and cider to school

9. Meeting Adjournment 7:09 pm

10. Motion to adjourn: Liz Arnkoff

11. Seconded: Shalini Jayasundera