

**Board Members:** Jennifer Thorndyke, President; Marcy Saniuk, President Elect; Jon Warren, Treasurer ; Molly Warren Secretary

**Welcome and** call to order at 6:30pm

**Introductions:** Board members and meeting attendees.

**Principal's Report:**

- Proposed Fundraising purchases: Gaga ball pit, large projector screen, speakers, front entry door update, sensory garden, and poster maker.
  - Gaga ball pit: estimated cost \$16,000-\$20,000, concrete would need to be placed near the basketball court. Mrs. Buckman will look into more details/info on this project.
  - Projector screen: estimated cost \$1,473.12, mobile, size 180HD
  - Speakers: estimated cost TBD
  - Front entry door update: Mrs. Buckman will reach out to the district to get more information on cost for landscaping etc.
  - Sensory garden: utilized for student breaks
  - Poster maker: can be used by staff/students, estimated cost \$5,000, additional costs include ink.
- Levy override
  - voting will be coming up in March.
- PTC meals have been planned

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Jon Warren new contact: 402-830-3726
- PTC meals purchased from Chipotle
- Buzz books remaining balance have been paid off
- Square readers purchased
- Membership toolkit updated for Luma pay
- Penalty forgiven for taxes

**Secretary Report:**

- No report

**Committee Updates:**

- **Movie Nights (David and Jennifer Falke):**
  - Friday March 24 6:30pm
  - Concessions will be sold - \$500 budget
  - Popcorn donation: will reach out to Majestic Theater, popcorn bags/scoops from Gator Bash to use.
  - Mrs. Cryer has access to stream movie
  - Student Council voted for the Movie - The Secret Life of Pets (90min, rated G)
- **Dance-A-Thon (Jennifer Thorndyke) :**
  - We will consider other options (Fun Run, Color Run, etc.) for the 2023-2024 school year

- **Fifth Grade Farewell (Lea Coffman):**
  - Date: May 18th at Kiewitt.
- **Yearbook (Jackie Ryba):**
  - Finalizing pages - adding teacher notes, classroom group photos, club/music group photos and Valentine's party photos. Including last chance reminder to order in Gator Tales.
- **Social/Welcome Committee (Kristy Gotschall):**
  - Pancake Supper: March 3rd, 5:30-7:30. Working to finalize ticket prices for the event; as soon as this is done, I'll send out a flier and email with information on how to purchase. Have sent a volunteer link to people who indicated an interest in this committee. Did not get much response, so will start making it public to all parents when I send out ticket information. The link is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F4EA4AB2FA75-pancake>
  - Built in Luma charges for tickets approximately \$4 for kids and \$5 for adults (presale price) and will increase after.
  - Balloon weights need to be purchased for the event-PTO will reimburse
  - Drinks will be purchased for the event -Jon and Molly Warren
  - Mrs. Buckman will communicate more via Gator Tales regarding tickets, etc.
  - Sign up genius can be reposted to Abbott Facebook page and on Gator Tales...volunteers needed.
  - Looking at November to have this event for the following school year
- **Bricks (Sarah Ruttle) :**
  - No report
- **Buzz Book (Kim Parker and Julie Calvin)**
  - No updates
- **Fun nights (Cara Robbins):**
  - N/A
- **Original artwork (Brittney Ortiz/Natalie Gray):**
  - Artwork is currently in progress for all grades! We are still on track to be finished with the artwork by the end of February. Announcement letter will go out at the end of February. Packets/order forms will go out in March.
- **Classroom Party Volunteer Coordinator (Kristy Gotschall):**
  - The Valentine's Day parties are Tuesday, February 14th at 2:15. Volunteers can set up at 2:00.
  - When is Teacher Appreciation Week being celebrated this year? March for Teacher Appreciation?
  - Will room parents continue to be asked to do something for their classroom teachers on Friday of that week?
- **Hospitality (Marta Thomas and Sarah Ruttle):**
  - Conference meals planned
- **Educational Grant and Scholarship Committee (Elena Nieto):**
  - No report

- **Gator Bash (PTO Board)**

- April 28th
- Has a custodian been reserved for this evening? Need to be put in School Dude. Molly will reach out to Cindy.
- 2 Kona Ice trucks have been booked.
- We will reach out to reserve a DJ.
- **sweettreatsminis@gmail.com**

Good Morning,

My name is Kyle and I run a food truck out here in Omaha called Sweet Treats Mini Donuts and I wanted to reach out to you guys about possibly having us come out to the school for Staff Appreciation catering events or regular school events such as Carnivals, Trunk or Treats, Back to School nights etc. We can also come in the morning times for Staff & Parents to purchase before school starts as well as fundraising for the school in general.

We offer a variety of options for flavors such as Oreo, Cinnamon Roll, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Fruity Pebbles & M&M's. As well we can do Fresh Squeezed Lemonade and if requested Hot Coffee that is locally roasted here in Omaha.

We'd love to come out and treat you guys and be a part of different school events. Please let us know and hopefully we can put you guys down on our 2023 calendar.

Thank You

**Announcements:** None

**New Business:**

- First Grade wrote a proposal for a \$50 purchase from Teachers Pay Teachers, see here: [First Grade Morning Slides](#)
- Mr. Lesiak and Mr. Williams are joining all three classes at each grade level on Wednesdays in February to begin our own "Dancing Classroom" experience. Students are learning to dance, as well as incorporating music/movement and working together. Pictures soon!
- Abbott's AVT information was distributed and will be voted on at the March PTO meeting

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjournment is at 7:40pm

**Next Meeting @ March 7th at 6:30pm**