

**Dublin Elementary**  
**PTA Meeting Minutes**  
**May 10, 2023**

**Members:** Rachel Heater, Cathy Wolfe, Kim Negohsian, Mimi Curlee, Heather Medrano, Kristin Perusse, Danielle Bigi, Monica Anglin, Lindsey Banes; Elizabeth Cairo; Stacy Brand; Dawn Corby; Jennifer Sonnenberg; Stevie Barry; Tess Haddad

Called to order at 7:04 PM

**Reading of the Minutes:** Motion to approve: Danielle; Second-Mimi

**Treasurer:**

- pay awards for PTSA dinner
- membership
- classroom supply reimbursements
- staff appreciation donations
- field trip reimbursements
- Spiritwear quarterly payment
- Daddy/Daughter Dance
  - About \$4550 income/\$1275 expense so far
- PTA donation for the Outdoor Center
- Mom/Son Night:
  - \$213-most went to the event/\$198 profit
- Spring Fundraiser: \$10,000
- Dine Out Night: Hungry Howies: \$111
- Above budget at this point

Treasurer's report motion to approve: Heather; Second:Mimi

**Fundraising:**

Cookie Dough:

- 26,000 units sold
- \$10,610 profit
- \$745 donations
- about \$11,355 total-minus prizes=about \$9,835 total income
- delivery week of 5/22

Dining Night:

- Hungry Howies: 5/16 4pm-8pm
  - 10% of sales goes to PTA
- have not heard anything from Applebees

**Membership:**

- 243 members
- increase in membership from last year

-Changing memberships next year:

-no student membership

-Family \$20

-Individual: \$10

-Staff: \$6

**Ice Cream Social:**

-fire truck

-food truck: Heaven on a Roll

-finalizing ice cream in the next 2 weeks

-raffle baskets

-previously approved \$100 for DJ that is not happening, decided to use that money for gift cards

-since no DJ, someone to create playlist for music

-will have a sign up for volunteers

-June 9th 6pm-8pm

**Mom/Son Night:**

-tickets in envelopes for events

-check in starts at 5:30pm

-NO DRINKING

**Principal:**

-Staff is appreciative of staff appreciation festivities

-MSTEP is done

-iReady is starting

-5th graders went to camp

-field is being finished-will be seeded and need to stay off

-parking lot is being finished up

-basketball courts are completed

**Teacher Report: Tess Hadadd**

-Thank you for teacher appreciation

## Kindergarten

We've been some busy bee's in Kindergarten these last couple of weeks, as

- Science: explore living and non living things in Science! We know that if we are living, we need air, water, food and shelter and boy was it fun watching some living earth worms move around in class as we were Scientists and investigated, asked questions and sang along to some fun and catchy songs that reminded us that things are living!
- Reading: We also transformed into Super Heroes as we finished up our Unit on building super powers in Reading and earned our Super Reader capes and celebrated all that we know to make us the strong readers that we have become! We are Super readers!
- Writing: In case you need to know "how to " make a pizza or peanut butter sandwich, you can count on our growing Kindergarteners because they have been hard at work writing how to's and we are confident that we can tell you step by step in our writing what you would do first, next, then and last and give lot's of good details in order for our readers to understand any task!

It's always a good time in the yellow garden of Dublin where the littles are in full bloom!

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

- Social studies: earning and spending unit. The kids loved creating companies and making products to sell to their grade level. Students earned "Dublin Firstie" dollars for making food choices in class. They were used to purchase the items on market day.
- Writing: wrapped up our persuasive writing unit

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

- Make sure to overly praise them for this awesome teacher appreciation week... this looks to be one of our best years ever! 🐝
- Thank you for helping us with our field trip to the Troy Historic Museum this month
- We just started our poetry unit in writing
- We are getting through our economics unit in social studies. We will have a market day in a couple weeks where students will have the opportunity to be producers and consumers.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

- Reading: Fractured fairytales
- Research groups
- Math: fractions and extended facts

### 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Fourth grade is currently working on historical fiction book clubs, informational writing, and rocking the last iReady diagnostic of the year. In science we're making electromagnets and studying the five US regions in social studies.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

- 5th grade was at camp last week and everyone had an amazing experience. Many students stepped out of their comfort zone... hiking in the woods, observing critters and braving the climbing tower.
- Up next, all the yearend business with reproductive health, a visit to CHS, wrapping up a science and social studies unit, sharing in book clubs and creating persuasive arguments.
- In addition to what Theresa sent could you please thank the PTA for paying for the following items for camp: Birds of Prey program, S'mores, and popcorn for our movie night.
- The kids loved the Birds of Prey program. This is what a few had to say...
- "The Red Tailed Hawk was amazing to see. That knocked down one thing on my bucket list."
- Lily Voelker
- "It was really cool to see all the birds and to touch the wings and claws. I would say it was a 10/10. It was amazing!" Avery Durbin
- "I never thought that an owl would be that fluffy." Claire David
- "I've never seen anything like it. Thank you so much for the time and the money." Cameron Kondrat
- Also, please ask the PTA if where we can find the balance of our teacher money left to use and what day the receipts have to be turned in by. Thanks!

### **Vice President:**

- 5th grade graduation
  - PTA donate gift bags
  - asking for \$200
  - motion approved

### **President:**

- might not be returning next year
- Golf fundraising basket due June 12

### **Legislative Update:**

## **Save the Date**

Next year's Michigan PTA Advocacy Day is planned for Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

## **National PTA 2023 Virtual Convention**

Join us on June 15-24 for the 2023 National PTA Virtual Convention, which will be focused on how we can demonstrate that we are here for each and every child in our communities. During the virtual convention, members of the voting body will have the opportunity to vote virtually on National PTA elections, proposed resolutions, resolutions to rescind, proposed bylaws amendments and the proposed new dues rate. For details on voting and our elections, visit [PTA.org/Elections](https://pta.org/Elections). For any questions on the proposed bylaws amendments, proposed resolutions, resolutions to rescind or proposed new dues rate, please email the Governance Committee at [Bylaws@PTA.org](mailto:Bylaws@PTA.org), the Resolutions Committee at [Resolutions@PTA.org](mailto:Resolutions@PTA.org) or [ProposedDuesRate@PTA.org](mailto:ProposedDuesRate@PTA.org).

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## **Hear From National PTA Leaders on Proposed New Dues Rate**

Please join National PTA leaders Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m., EDT for a live webinar on the proposed new dues rate. During this session, you will learn how the proposed new dues rate will help provide critical support for our PTAs, students and families and why a new dues rate is a worthy investment for the future of our mission. Leaders will also answer your questions about the impact on our association, implementation process and more.

Register here:

[https://pta.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_dJThqr\\_4RROQAevaNb8UxA#/registration](https://pta.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dJThqr_4RROQAevaNb8UxA#/registration)

## **What Should Parents Do Over the Summer to Counter Pandemic Learning Loss?**

The fast-approaching summer offers a precious opportunity for parents of students suffering severe learning loss from the coronavirus pandemic. Schools and policymakers have been scrambling since the 2022 Nation's Report Card last fall showed that students lost decades of progress in reading and math when they missed out on in-person classes. Now, students are set to leave the classroom again for three months. [Read the article](#) featuring comments from National PTA President Anna King.

### **Proposed Budget:**

[Working Budget-for review and approval](#)

Motion to approve: Heather; Second-Stacy

### **Bylaw Changes-Proposed Changes**

- changing membership dues-taking out student member, adding family
- adding positions with responsibilities
  - VP Membership
  - VP Fundraising
- change terms 1 year to 3 years; treasurer 2 years
- looked at other PTSA bylaws, PTSA recommended some of the changes
- took out June meeting
- added language about Nominating Committee to start December

- discussion around term limits, decided on a 2 year term to have bylaws updated.
- need more parent involvement
- motion to approve: Danielle; Second-Mimi

**Nominating Committee/Voting:**

- Lindsey Banes: Treasurer
  - previously treasurer for art gallery for 3 years
  - incoming kindergarten family
- Stevie Barry:Secretary
  - volunteer
  - active in PTA
  - Dublin playground aide
  - 2 currently 2 kids at Dublin

VOTED: APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

**PTSA Awards:**

- Heather Medrano: Distinguished Service
- Stevie Barry: Distinguished Service
- Julie Hamann: Distinguished Service
- Joe Maziarz: Distinguished Service

**Raffle:**

- Elizabeth Cairo
- Stevie Barry

Meeting Adjourned 8:17 PM