

Fir Grove Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization
General Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2023

Approved at the Thursday January 11, 2024 Fir Grove PTO General Meeting

Opening

The general meeting of the Fir Grove Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization was called to order at 6:33 p.m. at Fir Grove Elementary in Beaverton, Oregon on November 7, 2023 by Kristina Hiersche.

Present

Kristina Hiersche, Blair Hamilton, Kayla Petersen, Emily Wolverton, Tiffany Schiff, Beckie Tempel, Anna Petersen, Shannon Baggermen, Ashley Gannett, Aline Vega, Erin Miles

Minutes Approval

Blair Hamilton moved to approve the September 2023 General Meeting Minutes, Tiffany Schiff seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

Principal Update - Erin Miles

- Adding 2 new staff members, 1 Paraeducator in Kindergarten, and a Paraeducator II for IEP students - both full time for the rest of the school year. With this we will be shifting allocation of Paras throughout the school.
- Beautiful new school garden, great job Green Team and Kate Prakash!
- Had our safety walk with BSD Risk Management - resulted in minor things needing to address (more electrical outlets, etc.)
- Great teacher conference engagement from families, better flexibility and access with Zoom and translating.
- Rotary here tomorrow morning to purchase kids books at the Book Fair (~10 kids per class)

Budget Update - Blair Hamilton

- Fun Run cash/checks total still coming, but already \$27,000! Great job!
- \$2,200 in BottleDrop so far this year!
- Amazing staff appreciation donations! Over \$600! Staff loved the Starbucks delivery and food!
- A few teacher field trip requests coming in, some teachers aiming for 2 field trips this year. Great that this is ramping up again post-Covid.

Volunteer Update - Kayla Petersen

- February Hearing Screening will need volunteers
- Working on volunteers to assist during 2nd grade specials (Library, PE, Music). Making a sign up document where people can sign up themselves

5th Grade Sendoff - Kristina Hiersche

- Lynday Roller heading up committee with a few other parents
- 5th Grade Sendoff Committee heading up concessions at Costume Dance as a fundraiser for their Sendoff celebration. The committee and 5th grade leaders managing concessions and also volunteering at the dance.

Fundraising Update - Kristina Hiersche for Lee Anthony

- Fun Run prize assembly next Friday Nov 17. Announcing category winners: highest earner, highest earning class, 2 earners per class, principal for a day. Then raffle rest of prizes by pulling kids out of class throughout the day.
- Dine for Dollars
 - Krispie Kreme through Nov 15
 - Dec 6 Chipotle
 - Kristina touching base with Trisha Gross on McMenamins

ESN/Green Team Update - Kristina Hiersche for Kate Prakash

- Thank you Kate and volunteers for your amazing job on the new school garden!

Art Literacy Update - Beckie Tempel

- 1st training session for Delacroix complete and a few classes scheduled
- Projects seem to have simpler prep this year
- Can use PTO Slack to ask for more prep help or for more help for the in class lessons

Next General Meeting Thursday January 11 at 6:30pm**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. by Kristina Hiersche.