

# PTO General Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2021

## Welcome

1. Opening Remarks - Angela Wilson, President called the meeting to order at 7:04pm
  - Angela introduced Officers Melissa Pam, Christina Terfler, Trisha Perkins, and Brooke Hesler Ramsey.
  - There was a motion to approve May meeting minutes, which are posted on the Deerfield website. Motion APPROVED.
2. Welcome to Deerfield staff and parents in attendance and brief introductions.

## New Business

1. Book Fair Options
  - Christina Terfler presented options for book fair including: (1) cancel the book fair; (2) do an online book fair only; (3) have a librarian or substitute teacher host the book fair (4) do the book fair off site. A fourth option was discussed regarding the possibility allowing volunteer access when school was not in session during October parent-teacher conferences.
  - After discussion, it was decided to push the book fair to the spring given the possibility of low attendance at a fall book fair because of COVID.
2. Read-a-Thon
  - Tai Edwards presented the option to do a read-a-thon for a fall fundraising event. The event would consist of students obtaining sponsors for donations, which would be made based on the amount each student reads. To move away from individual prizes, options for school-wide or classroom prizes were discussed. Discussed promotions, timing, possibility of getting the Lawrence Public Library to donate books for prizes.
  - PTO voted to APPROVE the fall read-a-thon as a fundraising event.
3. Other Committee Activity
  - General Fundraising
    - Discussed the logistics of the carnival and decided to revisit the issue at the November meeting. Also discussed the possibility of other outside activities such as movie night.
  - Wishlists - Lisa March
    - Lisa will meet with Joni Appleman to discuss options. Discussed options of teachers creating Amazon wishlists or using spreadsheets similar to what is used for the Snowmen Gifts.
  - Committees in Need of Chairs---Angela Wilson
    - Angela reported that Marathon Club will continue to remain virtual until we secure a chair. The Wishlist Committee also needs a co-chair and more help. Those interested in open committee positions or volunteering should email [KSDeerfieldPTO@gmail.com](mailto:KSDeerfieldPTO@gmail.com)
4. Approval of Officers to Serve as Check-Signers:
  - A motion was made for Officers Angela Wilson, Melissa Pam, Christina Terfler, Trisha Perkins, and Brooke Hesler Ramsey to serve as check-signers for PTO funds held by Commerce Bank. Motion APPROVED.
5. Parents' and Teachers' Questions / Concerns
  - Brief questions and about how Deerfield fundraises generally.

**Adjournment** - A motion was made to end the meeting and seconded. Angela Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm

**Attendees:** Angela Wilson, Christina Terfler, Brooke Hesler Ramsey, Lisa March, Annie Rajaei, Melissa Pam, Lauren Berg, Jenny Humburg, Shirley Ramos, Trisha Perkins, Tai Edwards, Joni Appleman, Paula Wrigley, Adrian Serene, Jacy Hurst, Courtney Paul, Jessie Miller, Brian and Katie Last Name Unknown.