

# Gardner Road Elementary

## PTO Agenda

September 13, 2023

**Welcome and Introduction:** Stephanie Thomas

**Parent Council:** Liz O'Dell-Wehling

- Description of Parent Council and its purpose.
- No meeting yet.
- The board is supporting Dr. Douglas in making the decision to only allow presidents of the PTO's to attend meetings.

**Principal's Report:** Patrick Patterson

- Thank you to the PTO for supporting the welcoming and Ice Cream Social.
- Looking forward to the events in the future
- Discussed the construction and reviewed the 2030 plan for the new families. Shared the changes to Gardner Road. Can also find information online.
- Discussed the safety for students as the construction takes place.
- Free breakfast and lunch for the next 4 years. Will need to recertify every 4 years.
- **Picture Day:** October 5th/13th is the make up day. (Autumn will volunteer). We have a new company this year.
- **4th Grade Celebration Volunteers:** Looking for support from 4th grade parents. Friday, June 14th.
- **Construction Theme Turkey Trot:** Each student has a construction hat to wear during an activity.
- Make a Difference Day ideas
  - Discuss the idea of making a donation for Make a Difference Day at the October event.
- 4th grade Unity Day ideas

**Site Based:** Janice Jarvis

Met over the summer to discuss ways to enhance the curriculum and culture of the building. Currently in the draft stage. Due to the death of a staff member at the intermediate school, they were unable to present the plan to staff.

**Treasurer's Report:** Autumn Osborne

- Current budget has been set for the year.

- Board needs to decide on one point and can bring the budget to a vote at the next meeting.

**All Elementary PTO:** Stephanie Thomas / Patrick Patterson

- 4th Grade Unity Day review for new members.
- Date: June 11th
- We have not had a meeting to begin planning for this year's event.
- Feedback: Provide better communication about its purpose compared to the other events (Field Day and Celebration)
- Are there plans to have another grade level added this year?

Possible graduation TShirt to fund Unity Day.

**Staff Requests:** Open Floor

- None at this time

**Old Business:**

- Box Tops / Coke Rewards / Pop Tops
- Ice Cream Social

**Current / Upcoming:**

- Comic-Con (Carolyn Rennie) Check Point Gaming Lounge
  - Date: November 11 (10:00- 6:00) and 12 (10:00-6:00) Could set up on Friday night.
  - Space in the nonprofit area for us to set up a table for some kind of makerspace.
  - Possibility of a TShirt to sell
  - Possibility of bringing Zeke with a photo op
  - Possible Jam Board print to sell with profits going to a donation.
- Math Kangaroo (Jackie Pan) & after school clubs
  - Competition date March 24, 2024.
  - Grouped together first and second grade and third and fourth grade.
  - Jackie can be flexible during the day to help support.
  - During the day, volunteers need to be supervised by a staff member. After school, families just need to sign up.
  - Separate into 2 different groups.

- Open House 9/28
- School Store (start date?)
- Spirit Wear (starting around Open House?)
  - Finger Lakes
  - Going to see if we can get other options
- New Fundraiser – “Un-Fundraiser”

**Next Meeting:** October 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM