

Peterson PTA Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2019
Time 9:30 am

A. Call to Order & Welcome

B. Executive Reports

1. Principal, Alli Landstrom

- Alli is concerned that people are not reading Sunday emails, emails are also being bounced back, so the school does not have correct addresses. PTA will post on Facebook that you should be getting Sunday emails at 5pm, if you are not, please contact the school. You are missing important information. The school needs updated emails. Patterson uses SMORE for emails. It is still sent through Connect Ed, and then you click on a link. Looks more attractive and Alli is considering the use of SMORE.
- Teachers are learners as well. This year all staff participate in different learning groups such as academic (reading, technology, math) and behavioral (PBIS, SEL, and equity).
- Parents, if you have any age appropriate videos of traditions and cultures, please send them to school. Staff will share these videos with the students.
- Orange Ruler has started. If anyone has size 7 Roller blades, Alli would like to borrow them for practice. If the school reaches the \$25,000 fundraising goal, both Alli & Rachel will dress in orange and rollerblade around the school for an entire day!
- Ben Peterson wished that Peterson school was called Danielle-Joy (Peterson). Our school is named after his daughter. To see the video created by Ben, please go to the Peterson website and click on "About Our School" to learn about his amazing daughter.
- There will be a ConnectED sent to Kindergarten families in the coming week. We are looking for volunteers to work with small groups of Kindergarten students. Volunteers will be working with kids online using Hearbuilder, and Lexia. Volunteers will help them log in and engage with the content. The set-up would take place at 2pm and students would come to you at 2:15 and 2:40. Volunteers may or may not be with their child.
- Please join the PTA; we no longer have the online directory due to the district privacy policy. The only way to share contacts is by joining the PTA.
- Bike Riders – friendly reminder: kids, you must walk your bike on and off school property.
- Parents need to not be on their phone in car line, it's a distraction for walkers and bike riders.

2. President, Joann Frisby

- Review and approve meeting minutes from September meeting
- Minutes approved by Jen T. & Sheila

3. Vice-Presidents, Val Gremillion and Angela Kane

a. Orange Ruler Fun Run

- Please register your child online as soon as possible. To get an “orange” and to be entered into the daily drawing, you must register, get your first donation, and every \$40 donation will get you an additional orange.
- The top class for the day gets the Orange Ruler mascot in their classroom.
- Donations are due on 10/22 and the Fun run will be 10/24. Hopefully the weather will be nice enough to have the fun run outside. The schedule will be determined soon!
- Room parents can send emails reminding parents of donations. However, the message might be better received if it comes from the teachers.
- If family/friends are paying by credit card, they need to have a US billing address.

b. Panther Pride Patrol

- The new program started this week, and there has been a lot of interest! The sign up genius filled up almost immediately, and we have added more dates. Please have dads and father-figures sign up so we can fill in the remaining open spots.

c. PTA Member Nights

- Are you a PTA member? If you are, Color Me Mine is coming to Peterson on Thursday, November 14! A google doc will be emailed to members to RSVP. Only 75 spots are available, so first come, first served. We will have light snacks and drinks.
- Supplies will be provided. It will be a winter theme. Come dressed ready to paint. There will be several ceramics to choose from.

4. Treasurer, Kavita Arora

- Budget review and approval of budget
- Approved by Sheila & Angela Kane

C. Committee Reports

1. Monster Mash Bash, Joann & Angela S.

- A juggler will be performing during this year’s Monster Mash Bash.
- We still need volunteers to make this event a success. Thank you to those who have already signed up to help! Stations will be inside and outside (weather permitting).
- If you might be interested in chairing this committee next year, please shadow Joann & Angela. This will be their last year organizing this fun event.

2. Beverage Cart, Eileen & Sheila

- The meeting was on 10/9 to discuss the details. A sign up genius will come out soon for donation of snacks. Teachers can choose a snack to go with their morning beverage of choice.

3. After school activities, Kathy E.

- Engineering For Kids session starts on 10/11. We received a check for \$430.

4. SpiritWear, Emily

- Please have kids dressed in Spirit Wear tomorrow, 10/11.

5. Dinner Nights, Aarti

- We made \$134 from Yogurt Beach and \$182 from Noodles & Company. We have not received a check from MOD Pizza, yet.
- The next dinner night is at Dairy Queen (10/23) and Chipotle (11/4).
- We will start doing 2 each month, one to be more of a dinner option and the other to be more of a treat option.

6. BoxTops, Eileen

- Collections to be put out today. Due in November. Instructions on how to do Box Tops online will be in Alli's Sunday email.

7. Recycling, Joann

- No updates

8. Online Directory, Joann

- Unfortunately, we will no longer have a school-wide directory due to the district privacy policy. Hopefully our PTA membership will increase so that parents can get the information.

9. PDAC, Alli & Neha

- Oct 17th 6.30-9pm World Café at Metea High School.
- Oct 23rd round table discussion, guest speaker Tyrone Howard, will be at district office in Aurora. 7-9pm
- We are planning a World Café in April, no multicultural night this year. Maybe we can do something around the love of reading, food, and different cultures.

10. IPPC, Jen T.

- Coat drive – There were a lot of donations, and we were able to help a lot of families living in our school district.
- IPEF – trying to get the word out for what they do. They do a lot to support disadvantaged students.

D. Unfinished Business

- Holiday Shop – Dec 4th flyers will come home mid-October. Will ask for donations for gift wrapping. We would prefer little gift bags as they are easier.
- Picture Day – we need more parent volunteers to help fix hair, how to smile, etc. A lot of complaints from parents that kids did not look their best. Mrs. Landstrom will share these complaints with the company.

E. New Business

F. Adjournment