



**FGES PTA General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, March 21, 2023
6:30pm, Media Center**

Call to Order: Michele Lorenc Hufnal, President 6:33pm

Reading of PTA Purpose: Nikki Byrne, Vice President

Approval of Minutes: Wednesday, 01/25/23 Michelle Grimes, Secretary

- Christine Hannon
- Valerie McEwen

Treasurer's Report: Lauren Kim

- Sweetheart dance brought in \$852.30

Committee Updates:

- Dining Out: Nikki Byrne
 - Vagabond brought in \$250
 - The Local brought in \$1,400
 - Burger King brought in *maybe* \$250, we are still waiting on the check
 - Tutto Fresco – coming up soon, maybe during spring break week 20% back to FGES
- Spirit Wear: Nikki Byrne
 - \$969 from Spiritwear so far this year
- Patriot Program: Nikki Byrne, Michele Lorenc Hufnal, Lauren Kim, and Michelle Grimes
 - No volunteers to lead the program this year so the Executive Board stepped up
 - As of today, 43 kids have completed the program so far
 - Nikki met with Ms. Ward to talk about recognition. Depending on how many kids complete the program, maybe we incorporate into a SOAR assembly?
 - 5th grade will get recognition in Promotion Ceremony
 - No 6-year recognition is currently planned. Suggestions were to do a survey to see how many kids 6-year Patriots are. Two volunteers are looking into flags and honor cords.
 - No makeup work will be accepted from previous years
 - Program will be extended one extra week

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- o Suggestions for next year: Announce the new Patriot Program at a Patriot Night with a clear statement of expectations and partner with National Honor Society and HS kids who need service hours
- Yearbook: Sarah Forrester/Katie Stowers
 - o Due date to order is 4/15
- Hershey tickets: Sue Rys
 - o Raised about \$100 from ticket sales so far
 - o Ends March 31
- Hospitality/Room Parents: Christine Hannon/ Meghan Phelan
 - o Val and Jess helping
 - o Hearts in the bathroom with messages for the teachers and toiletries were provided
 - o Teacher appreciation week is the 1st week in May, already working on and will provide lunch
 - o Bus drivers are recognized this week too
 - o Room parents will have one thing to do that week
 - o Grade celebrations are coming out soon for end of year
- Night at the Museum: Michele Lorenc Hufnal
 - o New google form to sign up, April 21st setup at 6pm in cafe
 - o Same night as art show
 - o If you don't want to present your project, you don't have to. Prizes will be given out and you can work with a partner.

Administration Report: Ms. Clinton/Ms. Ward

- New fire system has been turned over, approved by fire marshal, and tested. Current system will be tested with teachers first.
- Budget approved for new flooring over the summer. All carpet will be replaced with tiles except for media; that will be replaced with new carpet. Starts June 20th.
- State report card, FGES just received all 5 stars! This shows everyone's hard work and should be celebrated
- A week after Spring Break, MCAP testing will begin. This helps teachers with planning and is used as an instructional guide too. The fifth graders scores in math will determine where they're placed for 7th grade math.
- Teacher appreciation week is the same as MCAP testing.

President's Report: Michele Lorenc Hufnal

- Bingo update
 - o Sold out event with 375 people – this was the perfect number to remember for next year
 - o Thank you to all volunteers who helped with preparation and executions
 - o \$13K budget
 - o \$5,559 brought in from raffles, food, and 50/50
 - o \$6,316.86 brought in from ticket sales and had to pay Eventbrite as well
 - o Total raised \$11,628.31
 - o \$900 received in monetary donations

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- o \$100 brought in from art silent auction – he gave 10% back to FGES
- o \$30 brought in from Popcorn and cotton candy – 10% of sales given back to FGES
- o They thought the budget was \$2K, it was actual \$3K, came in under budget with \$2,200 spent
- o Suggestion for next year: We didn't have to pay for bingo books, daubers, and tickets because they were being used from 2020 bingo. Please remember when you do the budget, that you'll need to purchase next year.

New Business:

- Art Show Grant
 - o Approved at earlier Board of Directors meeting. Ms. Vignola will be given \$800 for upcoming art show. She is working with some classes for a clay project.
 - o Local artist is coming for art show and is doing the firing for the project

Old Business:

- Free Little Library
 - o GS Troop met on Sunday to discuss plans, no other update at this time
- Nominating committee
 - o We need 2-3 people that are willing to take the names of anyone interested in running for Secretary and President, which are currently 2-year terms.
 - o This task is incredibly easy as you will need to post to PTA Facebook group and email communication.

Comments/Concerns: Taken from the floor

- Any thoughts of a Talen show, musical, and/or open mic night?
 - o Yes, all the above can be considered if we have volunteers that are willing to run the event.

Announcements:

Early Dismissal Friday, 03/31/23

School Closed April 3rd-10th

Night at the Museum and Art Show Friday, April 21st 6:00-

7:30 Early Dismissal Friday, 04/28/23

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 6:30pm at FGES Media Center ***ELECTION***

Adjournment 7:26pm

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