

**PTO Meeting**  
**Called by Lakes Elementary PTO Board**  
**September 13, 2018**

**Board Members:**

Tonda Kaminski-President  
Jessica Steele-Vice President  
MacKenzie Gomez - Secretary

Danielle Maki-Vice President  
Amber Kaleward-Treasurer

**President's Report: Tonda Kaminski**

- 7:00 - 7:15 Introductions and welcome  
Open Position - Chair positions
- **Voting on VP of Community** (board position)
    - New VP is Andrea Jacobson
  - **Open Chair Positions:** (please contact Lakes PTO, lakespto@gmail.com)
    - Key Cards (1 opening)
    - Move 'N Groove (2 openings)
    - Carnival (2 openings)
    - Silent Auction (1 opening)

**Treasurer's Report: Amber Kaleward**

- 7:15 - 7:30 Budget update
- Budget is updated monthly as funds come in
  - Explanation of Teacher Grants:
    - Fall Grants; teachers gain the opportunity to request, for any amount of money, supplies they can use in the classroom. PTO provides the funds. All grant requests are submitted by October and voting happens at November PTO meeting. All paid members of the PTO have the right to vote on teacher grants.

**Principal's Report: Sharon**

- 7:30 - 7:40
- **Thank yous:**
    - PTO for entry way flowers and cleaning the grounds; open house volunteers; and Move 'N Groove Planning Committee
  - It has been a great start to the new year, despite a couple of setbacks, the kids did great and were very excited to be back at school.
    - The first day off does not count against "weather days" for the district, however the second day does due to entire district being off; 4 "weather days" remaining
  - **Updates:**
    - We welcome a new 1st grade teacher in the building (due to class sizes). She was very excited to start and worked very hard

class room ready over Labor Day weekend!

- Her classroom is now where Maker's Space was, which will now be held in the Library. Maker's Space should be up and running again in about a month.
- Everyone is invited to the October PTO meeting, 10/18 at 7p; Dr. Shibler will be attending to speak with everyone about voting on the non-homestead millage.
- Field trips are already planned and getting on their way; thank you PTO for providing the majority of the funding
- Picture Day is 9/21

### **Vice President's Report on Community: Danielle Maki**

7:40 - 7:50 Family Night Out in August

- We feel Family Night's Out are a great way to connect Lakes' families while also raising money for the school.
- We had our first end of summer Family Night Out at Pump House in August; Pump House donated 15% of pre-tax sales and matched that amount. Thank you to everyone who attended, we raised around \$100 to go towards the kids.
- October Family Night Out is still to be determined, please keep a lookout on Facebook and newsletters
- Our largest Family Night Out is typically the Spring night at the Score; please watch for dates of all upcoming Family Night Out events

Popcorn

- First popcorn date is 9/28. We are always looking for volunteers to help pop/sort; sign-up geniuses will be sent out via Facebook and email. Pre-paid Popcorn Forms are due 9/28.

MNG - Bethany

- Move 'N Groove is our largest fundraiser of the year. We value giving students the opportunity to raise money for their school without having to continually harkling family and friends to buy wrapping paper, cookie dough, pizza, etc. The money raised by MNG funds the majority of the PTO Budget.
- We are still looking for volunteers; sign-up geniuses will be available via Facebook and email.
- Timeline is still being determined; timeframe is between 9a-11:30a. Kids will have 15-20 minutes to complete as many laps around the "track" as they can; at each lap completion they receive a bracelet.
- Each week leading up to the main event, as the kids turn in their pledge packets, they are entered into a drawing to win a raffle prize. All raffle prizes are "hidden" behind paper leaves displayed in the lobby. The person(s) whose name is drawn each week will get to choose a leaf and win the "hidden" prize. (Names are rolled over

each week)

- All pledge packet donations receive a shoe displayed in the library with the child's name on it.
- We are still looking for Corporate Sponsors; information is available via Facebook and will be sent again through email.

### **Vice President's Report on Social: Jessica Steele**

7:50 - 8:00 Fall clean up and ISAC Report

- Fall clean-up is scheduled for 10/12. This is a ½ day of school; looking for volunteers; sign-up genius links will be sent via Facebook and email. Starting at 12:30p we will meet on the Northeast end of the parking lot. Being this is a ½ day, PTO is working on having a snack provided to all volunteers. Clean-up shouldn't take more than 2 hours- the more hands make for light work.
- Box-tops are due Oct 15-25; the class with the most box-tops will be rewarded with a donut and apple cider party.
- We are looking into starting new recycling program with Crayola. We collect, and count, "empty" markers and Crayola will send us a prepaid shipping container to send all the markers to Crayola to be properly recycled.
- Keep an eye out for Spirit Wear order forms coming soon.

### **New Business/Unfinished Business**

Open discussion

- **Key Card Books - Belinda:**
  - Explanation of Key Card Books:
    - Key Card Books are entertainment books with coupons. This year the Key Cards within have an added feature of coupons attached by sticker.
    - Lakes receives \$12.50 for each book sold.
    - Books are sent home with the children, "oldest and only", parents who wish to purchase send the order form and money back in the baggie the book was sent in and keep the book at home. Those who wish NOT to purchase simply send the book back to school. Additional orders can be arranged.
- **"Green" School Initiative - Dawn:**
  - We would like to qualify Lakes Elementary as a "Green" School with the state. To qualify each year, the school has to complete 10 activities from the provided list of categories. We currently have about 6 activities already completed, that we know of. Once qualified, Lakes receives a Green Flag to

hang on the flag pole.

- Dawn is currently working on putting together a committee to head this initiative. Any interested parties should reach out to the PTO - [lakespto@gmail.com](mailto:lakespto@gmail.com).
- **Script - Andrea:**
  - Reminder to everyone not to forget to utilize script when making purchases or giving gifts. Lakes receives a designated percentage of purchased gift certificates.