

Four Mile Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 8, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Four Mile Elementary Library

1. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Attendees: Ashley Grosz, Tammy Steenhoek, Rachel Davenport, Alejandra Alanis, Michelle Reichardt, Natalie Smithhart, Darci Vasiljevic, Jessica Jones, Kirsten Lauters. Virtual attendees: Jill Brady, Becca Johnson, Emily House, Whitney Hutchinson, Kareena Price, Caroline Metzger.

2. Secretary's Report

- March minutes were reviewed by Kirsten Lauters

3. Treasurer's Report

- Current balance and updates were reviewed.
- Budget requests and expenses were discussed, including upcoming costs for Olympic events.

4. Principal's Report – Mrs. Steenhoek

- **Staff Support:** Several staff members are experiencing personal and family challenges. PTA support and positivity are deeply appreciated and impactful.
- **Mural Update:** The mural is progressing beautifully. Students love peeking in. Mrs. Steenhoek will look into getting a plaque ordered to honor Mr. John's donation. Amanda Michael to coordinate with Mr. John and the PTA board to find a time to reveal the murals.
- **Olympics Update:**
 - Grades 3–5 will attend the Olympics at the junior high track (as in past years), with more events added for engagement. Families will sit together on the west bleachers for better visibility.
 - Grades K–2 will now have their Olympics in the afternoon at Four Mile on the same day. No ribbons, but fun, active events with support from Specials teachers.
 - This change reduces busing costs and simplifies family schedules.
- **Testing:** ISASP testing is 2 weeks away. Staff are optimistic about student performance. Healthy snack donations have been requested via sign-up.
- **Attendance Success:** Chronic absenteeism is significantly reduced this year—huge celebration!
- **Calendar Update:** A board vote on Thursday will likely confirm that the last day of school remains Wednesday, May 28. The following Wednesdays will be full school days to make up missed hours (no early outs):
 - April 30, May 7, and May 14 (May 21 will be an early out; May 28 was originally scheduled to be a full day and will remain that way).
 - On May 28th: Kindergarten graduation: 12:00 PM
 - On May 28th: 5th Grade celebration: 1:30 PM (moved earlier to avoid bus issues).

5. Committee Reports

- **Staff Appreciation:** Plans are underway for staff appreciation week.

- **Fundraising:** Chuck-E-Cheese and The Cove fundraisers successful. Over The Top to happen on the last day of school (date TBD on Thursdays vote)

8. Other news

BOGO book fair- May 6-8th

Vendor Fair happening this Saturday. Set ups happening Friday at 5 pm. Volunteers still needed.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 13th at 6:00 PM – Four Mile Library