AGENDA

Altoona Elementary PTA Meeting September 8th, 2025

Join Zoom

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- 1. Call to order
- 2. Welcome/Introductions
 - a. Mr. Miller, Tiffany C, Kirby C, Amanda H, Stephanie S, Corrinne, Mrs. Moore, Libby A, Ashley L, Mandy P, Alissa A, Joanna S, Holly E
- 3. Approve May minutes
 - a. First: Stephanie
 - b. Second: Liz
 - c. approved
- 4. Treasurer Report
 - a. Approve Financials for May/June/July/August
 - i. First: Amanda
 - ii. Second: Libby
 - iii. All approved
 - b. Review and Approve Budget: discuss updates to Field Trip and Classroom Funds, PTA Cares Fund, and bank authorization
 - i. First: Kirbby
 - ii. Second: Tlffany
 - iii. All approved
 - c. Authorized co-signers: PTA officers Tiffany Capps, Kirby Connell, Ashley Liepa, Corrinne Elscott, Stephanie Scheer
 - d. Move \$20,000 to savings from last year's fundraising for playground
 - i. First: Stephanie S

- ii. Second: Ashley L
- iii. All approved

5. Principal's Report

a. Off to a successful start at school. We are finishing up fall assessments with data meetings scheduled in the coming week(s). Staff is excited for our action teams. We have added an employee to help with calls to aid classrooms. We are proud of the work that the PTA is doing here.

6. Staff Report

- a. Discuss new ways to ask for or get feedback from staff?
 - i. Potentially reach out to teachers with specific questions and follow up after class parties, field trips, classroom funds.

7. Committee/Coordinator Reports

- a. Membership-Corrinne Elscott
 - i. 24 new members
 - ii. Current: 42 members
- b. Spirit Wear-Libby Adams
 - i. 515 Creative Designs: \$55 raised for Spirit Wear, NCT and Vandalia Designs are both hard at work with orders as well.
 - 1. Oct/May payouts from 515
 - 2. Asking the other two companies for checks around the same time.
 - ii. Looking to do Winter Wear orders again this fall/early winter
- c. Hospitality-Libby Adams
 - i. Budget \$2000
 - ii. Conference meals: 1 catered, 1 donated meal
- d. Book Fair-Holly Ewing
 - i. Book Fair Oct 12-17
 - ii. Delivery window is the week prior, setup Sunday the 12th
 - iii. Fair will be Tuesday/Thursday during conferences and will send out a sign up for volunteers in the next couple weeks.
 - iv. Need to discuss what to do with the Scholastic Dollars. Currently \$8838.92. In talking to our new rep, the best bang for our buck is to have teachers put together a wish list. Then, I can watch for flash sales/promotions and submit the orders then. It's \$1/\$1 during the

- fair, but limited to what is in stock so promotions are the next best.
- v. The rep also discussed the book vending machine. She said they do come with a warranty, so it would not be the pta servicing. And they can be stocked with any books, not limited to scholastic.
- vi. Ask the rep if we could have some examples of books that the kid could "shop" for to be gifted at a later time.
- vii. Continue this conversation in October
- e. Santa's Attic-Tiffany Capps
 - Over the last couple years, Mandy has helped a ton and has also donated some things. She has been asked to help with this year's Santa's Attic. Nothing else to report at this time.
 - ii. December 12th will be the date for this.
- f. Warm Kids Warm Hearts- Kirby Connell
 - i. As of now the drive will be Sept 29-Oct 10
- g. Social Media
 - Each committee head will be in charge of getting their information out and posted on Social Media
 - ii. All other postings will be handled by the President(s).
- h. Golf and Games In the Halls
 - i. Feb 7th was the date discussed at our Budget meeting this summer. Finalize the date?
 - 1. Approved
 - ii. If we have a raffle: need a gambling permit from the state (apply by end of October) Who will be in charge of applying for the permit?
- i. Fundraising-
 - Unfundraiser- Raised \$8,986.18
 - a. Continue for this year?
 - i. Who is interested in being on the committee if we do the Unfundraiser again?
 - b. Do we wait and see where we are at for funding our budget after Golf and Games and then decide what if any fundraiser we should do in the spring?
 - c. We will revisit at another meeting
 - Restaurant Nights- Stephanie Scheer

- a. Working on McDonalds Night Feb 17th. Culver's is back to doing fundraisers again so we are looking at that.
- b. Look into a skate night
- Cookie Dough- Amanda Hintz
 - a. Fundraiser runs October 2-20th
 - b. Count scheduled for October 23rd
 - c. Cookie pick up date: November 23rd
- World's Finest Chocolate Information: Info dropped off at school for us to review as a possible fundraiser
- Playground Project Update- Information on the Referendum and plans the district has for Elementary Playgrounds going forward
 - a. Totals raised to date: \$60,629.36 in PTA savings account plus \$20,000 to be transferred from checking account Total **\$80,629.36**
 - b. Total in Grants and Money from district \$80,000 (excluding any potential referendum dollars)
 - c. Vote on if we want to wait to use any PTA funds we currently have for the playground until after Referendum passes and we know what the District will be providing
 - d. Vote 1: Stephanie
 - e. Vote 2: Kirby
 - f. Approved to hold on to money until after the November vote
- 8. New Business- Moving to the next meeting
 - Membership
 - o PTA Membership drive ideas
 - Reviewing dates for fundraisers and events for the year
 - Feed back on Back to School Night: what could we do differently next year and what worked well this year

- Next PTA meeting October 6th, 2025
 - Would we be interested in having the superintendent come to our next meeting to present information on the referendum?
 - There will be seats open for the School Board this year, do we want to invite candidates to our meeting to speak?

9. Adjourn