## **Carpenter Elementary PTC Meeting Minutes**

September 12, 2023

Welcome!	Attendees: Emily Smith, Megan Spielbusch, Karen Hirschfield, Elise Fodor, Teresa Bronczyk, Cindy Grant, Nicole Cummings, Jessie McGeogh, Jennifer Doerfler, Julie Bierlein, Meghan Dyckman, Maria Yarazaki, Marguerite Mears, Connie Doll, Beatrice Buna, Lindsay Kozachik, Randa Griffith, Tiffany Johnson
PTC Member Introductions Emily Smith	Emily introduced our 2023-2024 Board:  • President: Emily Smith  • Vice President: Megan Spielbusch  • Secretary: Karen Hirschfield  • Treasurer: Elise Fodor  • All attendees were given the opportunity to introduce themselves
Principal Message Teresa Bronczyk	<ul> <li>Welcome, off to an amazing start here at Carpenter!</li> <li>Thankful for a warm welcome here.</li> <li>Very passionate about the Lake Orion community and bringing it to life here at Carpenter.</li> <li>Upcoming dates:         <ul> <li>Curriculum Night: 9/14 held virtually</li> <li>Picture Day: Sept. 27th</li> </ul> </li> <li>Regular newsletters will start going home soon</li> <li>Eagle Scout came and updated the benches and provided a storage place for the baseball field</li> </ul>
Teacher's Message Cindy Grant	<ul> <li>Praised Mrs. Bronczyk for a wonderful start</li> <li>Thanked the PTC for the food the first week back to school</li> <li>Mrs. Monacelli will be the other teacher representative</li> </ul>
Financial Update Elise Fodor	<ul> <li>Budget is set and passed by board</li> <li>Fifth grade budget was increased to \$500</li> <li>Kroger rewards, please sign up, doesn't take fuel points away</li> <li>A check will be coming soon from the back to school kits, spirit wear, and more.</li> <li>We will be accepting venmo this year</li> <li>Capital Improvement:         <ul> <li>Sunshades are over budget, looking into applying for a grant to cover a 14 foot shade, but would need to talk about sun safety - asking teachers if this could be done so we can apply next year.</li> <li>Gaga ball pit needs a new foundation which is also very expensive, but perhaps community partners.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Open Coordinator Positions PTC Board	<ul> <li>Donations Position:         <ul> <li>Go to businesses, ask for donations for teachers, events, food, etc.</li> <li>Randa is interested in this position</li> </ul> </li> <li>Resale:         <ul> <li>Help collect items, wash, and resale items for upcoming resale shops.</li> <li>Megan Spielbusch is interested in this position</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Past Events PTC Board

- Summer Sizzle:
  - Super fun sprinklers, popsicles, pizza sold by fifth graders, ice cream truck, firetruck, and we made a garden snake.
  - Next year, get this information out to incoming kindergartners
- Meet and Greet:
  - o A little congested at the front, but overall was great.
  - Two photo-ops in the cafeteria. Kindergarten signing perhaps move it to orientation day.
  - Could the PTC table be moved outside to help avoid congestion?
  - o Pinwheels were very fun and very special to do with the new principal
- Bunny Badges:
  - We raised \$200 on this new fundraiser, a local company.
  - Next year get it out to more families with email and K parents
- Spirit Wear:
  - o 10 days left!
  - Lots of feedback about having just LO gear. We are working with Custom Threads to do a fall/winter order to be delivered before Thanksgiving.
  - Ten percent of all sales will go to us. Mindy is working with this company and they will be using the dragon that they use. Can we get long sleeves? Can we personalize them on the back?
- Dine to Donate:
  - Once a month
  - Menchies (Sept), Johnny Blacks (Oct), G's Pizza (Nov)
  - Make sure you say you are from Carpenter when you go

## Upcoming Events

Julie Bierlein / Megan Speilbusch

- Welcome Back Picnic at Friendship Park 9/21 from 5:30-7:30
  - Kona Ice will be selling and giving back a certain percentage of sales
  - Halloween resale will be going on \$5/costume
  - o Photo-op, bring your own dinner, play with friends.
  - Fifth graders might sell something there as well, this is TBD.
- Trunk or Treat 10/27 at Friendship Park.
  - Looking at photo booths to have.
  - o Donut Truck will be there again this year.
  - o Get donation monsters by Oct. 2nd and sign up genius for trunks
  - Hoping to collect more than 600 pounds of candy.
  - We still have a lot of non-food items for allergies and teal buckets.
  - We would like to get some high school volunteers for this to hand out candy and take over for parents.
  - Have 2 sign-in tables so that the line isn't too long.
  - Mindy is going to set up a Spiritwear sale table too
  - Get a dragon costume? (Could we buy a dragon costume?)
- Fall Clean Up -
  - We really need to spruce up the playground and do some weeding
  - We are waiting patiently for maintenance to do some things, but we need to help out too.
  - Date: October 1 from noon-4:00
  - Julie will put a flier together, Jessie will help in certain areas, Randa will get garden bags donated.

	Future Meetings
Assemblies Julie Bierlein	<ul> <li>Detroit Lions - October 5th, 9:00 set up with 10:00 start time</li> <li>Super U Kindness Show         <ul> <li>Anti-bullying message, very engaging</li> <li>\$700 for two 45-min sessions. Looking at: Jan. 25. Feb 1 or Feb 8</li> </ul> </li> <li>Julie has been in touch with the Performing Arts Department Chair at the High School. He is talking to everyone to get some type of assembly together, we would only need to pay for bussing.</li> </ul>
P2 Shirt Design/Thoughts Emily Smith	<ul> <li>Looking to get a softer shirt - either sports-tec or a supersoft cotton shirt</li> <li>Passed around shirts, everyone likes supersoft cotton</li> <li>We will keep looking at quotes for these shirts.</li> </ul>
Spirit Sticks Jessie McGeogh	<ul> <li>Grade level spirit sticks went home last week</li> <li>All new students got a lanyard to put on their backpacks</li> <li>Each month we will be doing a sale for spirit sticks</li> <li>October we will have our first sale for \$1/each.</li> </ul>
Teacher Appreciation Karen Hirschfield / Nicole Kaplan	<ul> <li>First week of school: Breakfast, teacher survival kits, and lunch from Pita Way</li> <li>September: Dot Day, Sept. 15th, pretzels and dots candy</li> <li>October: apples, donuts, etc.?</li> <li>November: Conference date to provide dinner: November 9th</li> <li>December: Popcorn and Pie Bar</li> </ul>
Open Discussion/Idea Sharing All	<ul> <li>Should we offer meetings virtually again?</li> <li>Survey which day of the week would be best?</li> <li>Looking for representatives for each class.</li> <li>Meetings are not always this long :</li> <li>Join the Facebook page!</li> <li>Next Meeting Date: Thursday, October 12th</li> </ul>