

Guin Foss Elementary
PTO GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MEETING DATE: 11/9/18

Time: 08:30			
PTO President: Jerrin McHale			
Principal: Ray Hernandez			
AGENDA ITEM	TIME	DISCUSSION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
Call to order	08:25	Thank you for coming!	Jerrin McHale
Teacher's Report	08:26	Third grade is awesome! In 3 rd grade it is super important to know multiplication and division. Need it for area, perimeter and measurement. Time tables don't go away. Use various math strategies in 3 rd grade. The way you learned it isn't the same. Students use the strategies that work best for them. Learn about the Tustin Community. Tustin museum is a good place to go. They send us a trunk that has memorabilia from a long time ago. Some students haven't seen some of these items before. It has an outfit that kids wore to school. Science is moving into natural disasters, overlaps with informational writing. In spring go to Knott's Indian trails. Knott's is more than rides but can go on the log ride. This is a whole day experience. Have a docent that gives a tour. A bit pricey but one big field trip for 3 rd grade. If we get invited to the high school, we sign up right away. In writing started with narrative writing. Some themes are easier because they get to write about themselves. But actually is the toughest. Choose one small moment and focus on that. They get caught up on page after page of things that don't matter. Will have the writing celebration soon and then moving on to informational writing and then persuasive writing. We go to the cove. Students do Lexia and IXL. Question: Did they eliminate spelling? No spelling lists but have vocabulary.	Mrs. Erickson
Principal's Report		How many turned in the form for the planetarium? Friday night is the planetarium night. There is a max 6 of tickets per family. Can pick a time slot. First come first serve. Gives time to talk to friends about a time frame. Might talk to student's teacher to coordinate and will try to facilitate that. But is on first come first serve basis. Only about 100 people per session will fit. If we see we have a need for another night we will look in to that. Purchased 440 tickets.	Mr. Hernandez

Have 400-450 students. Some families might be out of town or have things scheduled. Another reason to come to PTO meeting is to find out the latest info. Suggest you turn it in your form to secure a spot. Last day to turn in forms is November 14th.

Today is the last day of the Trimester. 1/3 of the school year will be done today. Second trimester starts Tuesday.

Fire evacuation on Tuesday when we get back.

Thursday is Thankful Thursday and will have a family lunch. Trimester awards that day too. If your child is getting an award you can stay if you need to. Common lunch for all grade levels. All students will be out for lunch at the same time 12:10- 1:00. 9:40 to 10:10 for early bird TK and Kinder. 12:10-12:40 for late bird TK and Kinder.

Break for Thanksgiving and then November will be just about done.

Want to create moments for our students. We opened the year with music and a high five. In trying to create a new moment. Going to have a soccer tournament. All teams will have 6 students with at least 2 girls. 1st will have own division. 2nd and 3rd will have own division. Then 4th and 5th will have their own division. Students will create their own teams. Saw someone from Ms. Barlett's class making a movie trailer. During lunch recess will have the tournament. Then the winners will play against the teachers. Want to do this before this calendar year is over. Will help build team work. Will invite family for the game against the teachers. Hopefully it will be a big hit. Like to try it and see. This info. is fresh off the press. When you come to PTO meetings you can get the newest info. 1st grade will need some assistance forming their team. 2nd and 3rd will be able to join and create their own teams. Want to create a moment and something to look forward to and build relationships.

Next ELAC Meeting is on Nov. 28th

Next Tuesday November 13th, after the holiday, will meet with parents to talk about morning procedures. Different ideas about sitting on the black top or

		<p>standing. Want students to be ready for class and have structure. Want a good balance. Don't want parents using the staff parking lot. Want parents involved in keeping students safe.</p> <p>We are in the midst of improving our curb appeal. Going to more drought tolerant plants. Will make a natural path. Will have a better more modern look. Half of the tree in the front was dead so it was taken out. Will update that area. Need to increase office space. Not a lot of space to bring your stroller through. Want to see if it can be extended for more foot traffic space and have a desk for Mrs. Baker. Landscaping is being improved and looking to get second storage space. Trash cans are almost the first thing you see when come in so want to find a place to hide them with fencing. Is our main entrance so want it to look more positive.</p>	
PTO Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Fundraiser/Cookie Dough Summary: Almost wrapping up on incentives. Successful fundraiser. \$9,000 that the PTO earned to go into programs we support. • Mid-Year Change of Board Member: New VP of Fundraising. Previous person took on full time teaching position. Laura Freel said she will take over. Her husband is here for her today. Their family is new to Guin Foss but they are all over the place with their four kids. Thank you Laura! • Greenery: should be in the first week of December. Don't have exact date because it is fresh cut. Needs to be picked up and out of the box. • Winter See's Candy Sales: Next Thursday forms will go home. Holiday items that go toward 4th and 5th grade for Outdoor Ed. All funds go directly to students Outdoor Ed. Fund. First half of Outdoor Ed. money due date is coming up. 50% of the money is due soon. Keep an eye out for that. Going to push it back until after the holidays. • Fundraiser night. Yogurt Land went well. Haven't planed another for November so might get skipped. • Box tops: Received \$175 dollars. Box tops don't have to be glued. Just count and put in bag. Volunteers will sort. • Any questions about dates? • Spring fling coming up earlier than last year. Bobbie has ran it for several years. Looking for someone to shadow her to take over for the next year. Carnival is super fun. Jumpers, snacks, and the kids have fun. In March this year. Might put something out at the end of December. 	Jerrin McHale

		<p>Biggest family fundraiser that we hold. Could be one person or a group of people. Nice to have a few people to help. Even if you just want to help with Spring Fling talk to Bobbi. If anyone is interested in shadowing talk to Bobbi after.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holiday store: It takes over MPR and students can come and shop for family members. Sent a list home so that can be organized. Preview day is on the 30th. Students can preview items available. • Questions: Noticed a lot of trash on campus and CDC trash overflowing. Mr. Hernandez will talk to CDC about it and talk to John about his schedule there. • Fundraising: Alex talked to Kona Ice. Will do 25% back and have a minimum of 200 pre orders. They are available the 16th and 30th. Just need to know where to park. Will come Friday after school and park at the entrance of the staff parking lot. 4, 5, and 6 dollars for Kona Ice. Give 25% back to PTO. Need about 4 parking spots. Could Put a table out so not everyone stuck at the truck. Going to ask parents to park and then go to the Kona Ice truck so that the loading and unloading zone doesn't get backed up. We will try it and get some incite. Bobbi: Maybe put a sign out to park if child is getting Ice to keep the line going. Jerrin: People that bough ice cream usually had parents out there waiting anyway. Jenni: is there a way to put it inside? Draws the traffic into the school so easier to have it outside the gates. Will be in staff parking lot. Will inspire parents to get out of their car. Can we get picnic benches? Can corer off a section for parents to visit? Can get music too. 	
Upcoming dates		<p>November 13th Authors Tea November 15th Trimester Awards November 16th Half of Out Door Ed. Money Due November 16th Smart Card Party November 16th Family Night at the Tessmann Planetarium November 19th - 23rd No School November 30th Holiday Store Preview December 3rd - 7th Holiday Store December 10th Author's Tea December 18th 4th Grade Field Trip to Mission San Juan Capistrano December 20th Holiday Performance December 21st No School</p>	

		December 24 th - January 4 th No School January 14 th Author's Tea January 17 th 5 th Grade School Tours January 18 th Movie Night	
Adjourned	9:35	Next PTO meeting Friday, December 8th	