

Guin Foss Elementary
PTO BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 MEETING DATE: 4/12/2019

Time: 08:30		PTO President: Jerrin McHale	Principal: Ray Hernandez
AGENDA ITEM	TIME	DISCUSSION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
Call to order	0829	Welcome	Jerrin McHale
PTO Report	0829	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Fling Summary- Bobbi: Spring fling was amazing. Excited about the teenagers. They bought in a lot of volunteers. Thank you Alison for that contact. Other thing that was really cool was Kona Ice and Contra Coffee. Fun to have them there and to try something new. \$8690 was made for spring fling (total so far). That was great. Hope you all had fun and your kids had fun. Really great to see everyone having fun because that is what it is about. The earlier time was good. Thank you for all your help with the donation baskets. Thanks to all the room parents for coordinating. If you have any suggestions Tori Ogle will be taking over for next year. How was the amount made compared to prior years? Didn't check exact numbers still waiting for some receipts. Seems pretty consistent with the past years. Food was busy up until the end. What did your kids like? Some really like the jumpers and others do other things. Thanks for making it another successful year. Most profit comes 	Jerrin McHale Bobbi Gonzalez

		<p>from the auction and raffle because it is all donated items. Suggestion: Alex: As a parent seems like a lot of parents are working a lot. Can we do to do more outsourcing so parents can be with their kids more? Companies will come in and set it all up and then parents can work it. Would leverage everyone's work. Might not be as profitable though. Can look into the cost and the profit. Would have to decide if we are using it as a fundraiser or as an event. Would need to make up that money if it was more of an event. Kind of a balancing act. It is the biggest event that we have. But budget is tight so hard not to make it a fundraiser. Should look into it and see what the costs are. The company that we get the holiday store stuff from also does carnival set up. Bobbi looked it to it before but knew it would take a big chunk away from the profit. We would have to decide how to make that money back in other ways. Being in charge of spring fling takes a toll because you can't be with your kids much but at the same time you know that it brings in a lot of money for the school. Would be good to get more volunteers to help. If you get more people helping less toll on the families. High School students was amazing and there were so many. Will reach out to them next year too. There are a couple of ideas floating out there for volunteers and fundraising. TMA has a structured 10-hour requirement for every family.</p>	
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Wondering how we shift that culture to Guin Foss. Can promote in the beginning of the year and start with an hour a month from every family. Can be in the class or PTO. For fundraising thinking about a “dollar a day”. Rather fundraising ask for a flat amount from each family. Maybe \$180 from each parent. Not sure how it would work out but maybe if we start with \$180 we would be done with the fall fundraiser. We make about \$10,000 for fall fundraiser. At \$180 would need 55 families to make that \$10,000.

- Questions/Comments: Parent: Communication is too lax. Maybe an app for school information? Phone calls help. Thursday folders are inconsistent. Some teachers email to remind parents things other don't. Difficult if you get an email on Thursday for something on Friday. Parent: I had no idea about Kona Ice coming until opened the Thursday folder. Monthly calendar would be beneficial. Maybe new PTO calendar will be better for communication. Would be nice to see things ahead of time to be able to plan. Maybe in the beginning of the year pass out a calendar for the year? Beginning of the year school at a glance? Working on a PTO website and Instagram site for next year. There is a lot of steps now to get to the current on-line calendar.
- Earth Day Campus Clean Up: Leia came up with a great idea. Leia: Our family is hosting a campus clean

up on April 22nd. Will have snacks and lemonade. Bring grabbers from home. Have bags from Trader Joes. Kids need to have a parent with them to come. That day is also first day of testing.

- Testing: Should have got a letter home. Some said they did not get a letter. Might be an issue of when it gets into your teacher's box. Jerrin will talk to the staff about getting their stuff to put in the Thursday folder. Maybe need to have the parent look in the box on Thursday to make sure nothing is missing. Can put a link in the Thursday message to the flyers. What is their break for testing? Do they get snacks? PTO provides snacks everyday of testing. Already have lots of snacks purchased. They get it between testing blocks. Don't know the actual snack time schedule. Do change the recess time during testing.
- Family Yoga Day: Lynn Jimenez will do a 30 min yoga lesson at the end of the meeting and then family Yoga day on April 27. Family Yoga will be in the morning. Lynn is a Clinical Social Worker. There is a formula to fallow for families and conversations. Conversations can be robotic Lynn will give ideas for conversations. Will have a 30 min yoga session and how to regulate emotions. So many demands on kids that they don't know how to deal with. Will give ideas on how to incorporate in to the home. Can swap out yoga for other activities.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Appreciation Week: Letter to room parents will go out next week. One thing a day for the teacher. The letter makes it easier for the room parents. PTO does a luncheon for all staff that week. • Last Thursday All board members for next year were confirmed. Took a board vote for all members. 	
Yoga	09:03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yoga for all 	Lynn Jimenez
Up Coming Dates		<p>April 19th -Progress Reports Go Home April 22nd -Earth Day Campus Clean Up April 22nd -Author's Tea April 22nd – May 3rd -Testing April 24th -5th Grade Promotion Pictures April 26th -Movie Night April 27th -Family Yoga Day May 14th-17th -Teacher Appreciation Week May 16th -Open House May 17th -Minimum day May 17th -Teacher vs. Students Kick Ball</p>	
Adjourned		Next PTO Meeting May 10th	