

Ojibwa PTO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026 7PM

Meeting Called to Order: Fran Pace – 7:02 PM

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Kate Miller & Nichole Hayes

Presidents Report (Fran Pace):

- School Dance – Go for the Gold – 2/1 @ Tina's Country House
 - o Looking for volunteers to help decorate and clean up
- Teacher Hoot Cart – 2/13 - Sign Up Genius available for help
- Bowling Event – 3/1 @ Imperial Lanes

Treasurers Report (Fran Pace)

Nearly all W4Fs expenses are in. Srodek's exceeded our planned income, which is great! Already getting some expenses for Spring Carnival.

Approved by: Rachel Carmichel & Kayley DiCiccio

Principals Report

- Testing Season is back with Fast Bridge testing.
- Illnesses are back as we came back from break, hopefully will improve soon.
- We are interviewed new Health Aides, Ms. Natalie moved school districts.
- Ms. Verstratate is retired as of 12/19 and we have a new 3rd Grade teacher, Ms. Rioux.

Staff Report

- Thank you to our 1st grade teachers for attending!

Committee Reports

Fundraisers

Srodeks Fundraiser was a super success! We exceeded our fundraising goal for a total of just over \$3900 being brought in as income for the PTO. Thank you to our families for their enthusiasm for this program! Special thank you to Rachel Carmichel for all of her hard work helping organize this with our PTO Board.

Lessons learned for next time is to have families check orders before leaving. It is a bit of a manual process for the order management, but worth it to raise this much!

Walk for FUNds – all prizes have been distributed, the only outstanding item is the Super Star fundraiser event which we are planning with the Reptarium to visit Ojibwa for these 21 students in January.

Art to Remember – we are still waiting on the check, but it raised around \$730 with just 13% of our students purchasing items of their artwork.

Social

- **Santa Shop** – Thank you to all of our parent volunteers. It was a very smooth week! We do not plan on this program to be a fundraiser as we keep the margins on all items as low as we can, but did bring in \$2,129 in profit this year.
- **School Dance** – everything is locked in with Tina's and the dance is 2/1 from 3:30-6:30 PM. We have begun recruiting parent and student volunteers to help with decor and during the event crafts. DJ and photobooth are also booked. Decor is being planned to match the Go for the Gold theme and we will reuse for Carnival in April. This is an event for any student to attend with any adult and all are encouraged to dress with the sport theme.
- **Bowling Event** – this is planned for 3/1 at Imperial Lanes. More details to come home in early February.

Enrichment

- **Reading Month** – Ms. Paglia is taking back all things Reading Month as PTO is not having this as a fundraiser as in years past. PTO is still supporting in ways such as Blingo Card and supplying incentive programs like the Book Vending Machine.

Old Business: N/A

New Business/Open Discussion: N/A

Motion to Adjourn: Fran Pace, at 7:31 PM

Next PTO Meeting: February 25th - 7PM