

PTO EXECUTIVE MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday, November 17 / 11a

Item	Discussion	
Mr. Cook	Thank you for the gift of cookies from the PTO.	
COVID	<p>Open communication with families and regular check-ins with families who are in quarantine. All are managing as best as can be expected. Transparency in communication is key for all Mt. Horeb families. We are saddened to learn feelings were hurt and hope to move forward in a positive way. We are learning every day how to best address the pandemic and we will continue to learn as we move forward with the best interests of our school and our community in mind.</p> <p>Due to quarantine requirements, several K – 2 students are virtual and students and teachers are managing.</p> <p>Thank you to Mrs. Zanchelli for your guiding hand.</p> <p>Reminder: Wellness form is due by 8:30. Even if your child is quarantining.</p>	
Good Night Gators	<p>Coming soon! Nighttime story to be read by a Mt. Horeb teacher. Get in your jammies and get ready for some fabulous story telling! Thanks to Mrs. Maag for the fabulous idea and to Lindsay LaNeve and Michelle Zgombic for helping make it happen.</p>	
Snow Patrol	Meeting to be held tomorrow at 10:15 to determine what we can / cannot do on the playground during a snow event.	
Weather	Reminder – students will be outside each day provided the weather cooperates. Important for them to move and have a break from their masks. Be sure your child has appropriate gear ... clothing, hats, gloves, etc.	
Activities	Review of grade level activities and specials. Teachers are being creative and engaging and the students are happy. Everyone is doing a wonderful job.	

Speech Therapist	New speech therapist Karen Lelchuk. Jumped in with both feet.	
Fund Raising		
Simply Gourmet	Reminder! Fresh snacks delivered daily. You can order one week at a time. Great way to try new items.	
Restaurants	Chipotle raised appx. \$130. Thanks so much to everyone who participated! Ciro's fundraiser is ongoing – every Wednesday!!	Thank you Heather D'Annunzio for chairing!
Future Events		
Book Fair Virtual	Fair will be Monday, 11/23 through Sunday, 12/6. Students will be asked to complete a Wish list, which will serve as a raffle ticket for daily prizes. Please ensure your child completes a Wish List.	Remind your children to complete their wish list items to be entered in the raffle!
Family Reading Night Virtual	Wednesday, December 2. No raffle on FRN Book Fair open until 12/6 ... so parents can purchase books enjoyed during FRN. Trying to streamline login process. One time click with the teachers rotating through the room. Encourage families to bring a snack – maybe bake something or choose something that is special to your family. Find a cozy nook to enjoy the night. All students will receive a craft for the event. Remember – you can order Spirit Day to be scheduled during the week where students will be invited to dress as their favorite book character	
Holiday Celebrations		
Teacher Gifts	Look for an email from your class parent regarding teacher holiday gifts.	
Classroom Celebrations	Winter classroom celebrations with PTO provided snacks and HR parent provided crafts. Details to follow as soon as available (dates, etc.)	Details to follow!
Spirit Wear	Spirit Wear. New options! Clothes with OUR GATOR. Sweatpants too! Same vendor as School Kids	

	Link on webpage and FB page.	
Bricks	Bricks have been ordered. All bricks are capital letters and no numbers. With the exception of the bricks ordered for Mt. Horeb, K and 5 th grade, which include the dates. Ordered for families and 3 bricks for the school. Only school ordered bricks include the date. When received, Mr. Cook will see if we they can installed w/ a photograph to be circulated to the community.	
ASAP	ASAP teachers are being used for staffing generally classrooms as needed. The hope is that students in need of ASAP services are benefitting from the smaller class size and teacher/student ratio. Formal ASAP services not yet available.	
Yearbook	Teachers taking pictures when they can. But a difficult “ask” based on the tasks at hand. Parents getting involved with future events – watch your emails. If there are spirit days or other school events, please take a picture and send it to Suzanne Velasquez. Not all pictures need to be on school grounds	

By: _____

Date: _____

Debra Finkelstein, Secretary