

**Missituk Elementary School PTO Meeting**  
**School Year 2021-2022**  
*Tuesday, March 1, 6:30 pm*

**Meeting Minutes**

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<b>6:30</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Board Introductions</b>
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Email the PTO if you have any questions about what the PTO does, how you can get involved, etc. [MissitukPTO@gmail.com](mailto:MissitukPTO@gmail.com). We are VERY MUCH looking for new PTO Board members as some current members transition off of the PTO Board.

<b>6:40</b>	<b>Treasurer Update</b>
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Budget update - in good shape, not much spending on events, field trips. We do have some planned enrichment activities coming soon, the budget will be updated as we go. We have some 5th grade appreciation activities coming up. We do have funds still available for the teacher reimbursement program - open to classroom teachers, specialists, others who work with students (any teacher with a room who has a need for supplies).

We are now officially able to receive donations as Missituk PTO. We are still waiting for confirmation on 501c3 status approval.

Fundraising is down from our usual amounts, but still in good shape because spending is also down.

<b>6:50</b>	<b>Fundraising Update</b>
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Read-A-Thon (formerly known as Whooo's Reading, now known as Read-a-Fun) - kicked off yesterday and will run until March 18. Kids can track their reading online - books, being read to, audiobooks - everything counts. It's a fundraiser, but everyone is welcome and the fundraising is not required - it's really all about participation and reading! Details and login information were sent home before the break and also yesterday in the form of a bookmark.

For the first time in a couple of years (since pre-pandemic!) there will be an end of read-a-thon celebration for top readers (minutes logged) across all of the elementary

schools. Will be held in June.

**6:50 Events and Enrichment Update**

*5th GRADE END OF YEAR* - We need 5th grade parent volunteers to help with end of year celebrations and activities (yearbooks, etc).

*Teacher Appreciation MONTH (MAY!)* - we will need volunteers to help (getting donations, bringing food in, decorating, etc).

*BOOK FAIR - March 20-27* - Online book fair with Porter Square books. Order online (anything available at PSB) and enter our code at the end and we'll get 10% of sales. There will be library and teacher wishlists available. You can decide whether you want shipping, pick up at the store (you can pick up OR the PTO will pick up for you).

*MURAL* - Club is over, design is done!

**7:00 Other PTO Updates**

MANY PTO board positions will be open at the end of the year—we need volunteers!

**7:05 Principal Kay's Corner**

Events coming up:

Medford Transcript is coming soon to interview Valentina Burke (the student whose design was selected for the new logo).

March 3 - No school - Professional Development Day

March 8 - Tufts Read by the River coming to talk to the kids and talk up Read by the River (March 13) - Children over 5 will have to show proof of vaccination and masks will be required.

March 9 - Bridges to Kindergarten (final session) - if anyone knows anyone with incoming kindergartners.

March 13 - Daylight Savings

March 25 - Spirit Day (Toy Day - reasonable sizes, nothing violent)

March 31 - C&C Luncheon

COVID updates - District is lifting mask mandate on March 14. People are welcome to continue wearing masks. This is the last week of surveillance testing in school.

At-home kits are being sent home with both kids and staff. Not planning to bring all the

kids back together for lunch (at least immediately).

Questions:

- *Do we know what the vaccination rate is at the school?* Not yet – that information is likely to come from Avery Hines.

***Next Meeting: April 6, 2022 at 6:30pm (with Danny or Kevin from Medford Rec)***

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