

PTO Minutes  
Feb 8, 2022

**Attendees:**

Alicia Gillespie	Amy Quinn	Emily Moody	Lizz Constance
Melanie McFarland	Abbey Jackson	Rachel Cole	Karen Borchert
Dan Stockmann	Michelle Kiel	Janene Bolt	Lisa Oliveto
Annie Grace	Jill Zabih	Kelsey Fischer	Debra THonen-Schaefer
Mark Karpf	Shamavu Ketemwabi	Sarah Jackson	

**Presidents' Report: Rachel Cole and Abbey Jackson**

- PTO made \$386.50 in profits from the Skate City family night. Thanks to Michelle Craig for organizing
- Thank you note from Carrie Briscoe

**Principal's Report: Mrs. Gillespie**

- Ordered 4 radios with PTO money, 4 more with her budget
- We will be applying to become a Title 1 school for the '22/'23 school year, which means federal funding. To do this we need a schoolwide plan for what we will provide: a transition plan into KG/out to middle school, family engagement night, and more. Plan will be submitted by March, and we'll find out in the fall if we're approved. Funding can be used for things like student engagement, tutoring, staff pay, and supplies. It could provide additional para support. We can now qualify because it is based on factors beyond the "free and reduced lunch" numbers. With this, staff can also receive student loan forgiveness based on the number of years they have worked for a Title 1 school.

[Title 1 Info](https://www2.ed.gov/programs/titleiparta/index.html#:~:text=Title%20I%2C%20Part%20A%20(Title,ensure%20that%20all%20children%20meet)

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[Current OPS Title 1 Schools](https://www.ops.org/Page/1475)

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[Additional Info](https://www.ops.org/Page/1478)

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**Teacher Reports**

- Mrs. Schaefer (resource, all grade levels): Working on support skills in classrooms.

**Upcoming Events: Abbey Jackson**

- Valentine's Parties: Lisa Oliveto ordered cookie kits from Crum Cakes Bakery to be delivered for the Friday, Feb. 11 parties.
- Bowling Night: March 3, 6-8pm
- Carnival: May 6. Michelle Craig has booked an obstacle course (\$555). Booked a food truck. Booked Kona Ice. Brainstorming ideas like wristbands, all students get in free, etc. Will discuss further.
- Spring Fundraiser: Melanie McFarland and Lizz Constance are working on a color run. Signs & Shapes could provide inflatables. Still locking down options (door-to-door, online). Might add DJ. Location TBD. Avoiding carnival, date-wise.
- Teacher Appreciation Week: March 7
- Conference Dinner, provided by Jamie Williams: March 2

**Treasurers' Report: Dan Stockmann and Karen Borchert**

- Budget submitted via consent agenda.

**Karen Borchert, Alpaca Packs Update:**

- Currently at 22 parent subscribers. Next theme is "We Love Teachers." Wilson Focus School will be coming on board. JP Lord is receiving packs due to donor matching. Please pass this along to other schools to be added.
- Signs up at [AlpacaPacks.com](http://AlpacaPacks.com)

**School Directory Update: Janene Bolt**

- Janene will be bowing out of her role in creating the directory for next year. Looking for another individual for next year who can take this on, and perhaps someone with graphics knowledge for things like posters, etc.

**OPS Community Advocacy Group Update: Mark and Andrea Karpf**

- Going through the math curriculum, reviewing books, manipulatives, etc.

**Adjourned**