



Dr. Mona Jain Middle School  
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting  
Date: Monday, March 8, 2021

**Call to Order:** 5:31pm

**Welcome: President**

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the January 11, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted.

**Board Reports**

• **President:**

- The secretary position on the board remains vacant as well as committee chairs for Teacher Appreciation, Spirit, and Fundraising.
- PTO sponsored the March 5<sup>th</sup> First Friday. Candy, snacks, and beverages were provided.

- **Treasurer:** Current balance is \$3,271.37 (does not include recent expenses from First Friday celebration and St. Patrick's Day Candy Grams).

**Committee Reports**

- **Spirit Night** – The February Spirit Night with Dairy Queen raised \$137.49. A total of \$705 has been raised from the Spirit Nights this school year. The next Spirit Night is tomorrow (March 9, 2021) at Wolves Head on Lakewood Ranch Boulevard. Additional scheduled Spirit Nights include Texas Roadhouse on SR70 (April 5, 2021) and Panera Bread on SR70 (April 21, 2021). No May dates are scheduled yet, but we are attempting to contact Wendy's. The pop-up tent with Moe's will be considered for next year. BD Gullett PTO reported only earning \$10 from a Spirit Night with Wicked Awesome Ice Cream. A suggestion was made to consider Menchi's.
- **Fundraising** – The Direct Give Drive has raised \$1,120 to date. It will continue to be promoted throughout March.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** – April 26-30, 2021 – A planning committee met in February. All activities/treats will include staff in addition to teachers. All ideas generated by the planning committee were approved by the school. The committee will

meet again on March 22, 2021. Anyone interested in participating is welcome and should contact Mrs. Holland for details.

### **Principal's Report**

- Mrs. Lindsay thanked the committee for the March First Friday and all the PTO does to support the school.
- Mr. Richardson (principal at BD Gullett Elementary School) would like to invite the DMJ SAC and PTO to the BD Gullett SAC meeting on March 24, 2021 at 5:15pm to discuss concerns regarding the increased level of building in the area. Ms. Saunders, the superintendent for Manatee County schools will be joining.
- The County has approved graduation for the high school, so Mrs. Lindsay is inquiring about anything that will be permitted for 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebrations.
- The teachers are excited and looking forward to Teacher Appreciation Week.

### **Old Business**

- **PTO Lucky Grams for St. Patrick's Day** – The grams will include a card with a chocolate coin for \$1. The grams are being sold by National Junior Honor Society. Sales started today (March 8) and will continue through March 10. Delivery is March 11.
- **Champions for Education** – Started the prior week with a successful Chalk the Walk. Cookies will be delivered tomorrow.
- **Math Bootcamp** – PTO has reached out to several businesses for rewards with 3 businesses agreeing to contribute.
- **InD Students** – PTO provided snacks and beverages for the remainder of the year.

### **New Business**

- None

### **Upcoming Events:**

Next PTO Meeting Date: Monday, April 19, 2021

2021 Meeting Dates: May 17

Spirit Nights:

- Tuesday, March 9, 2021 – Wolves Head Pizza (LWR Blvd)
- Monday, April 5, 2021 – Texas Roadhouse (SR70)
- Wednesday, April 21, 2021 – Panera Bread (SR70)

First Friday Teacher Appreciation: Friday, April 2, 2021 (SAC sponsored)

**Adjournment:** 5:51pm