




Home & School Meeting, February 13, 2024
Multipurpose Room at Prairie, 9 a.m.


A. CALL TO ORDER 9:01 CT

B. WELCOME

C. PRAIRIE SPOTLIGHT

- a. Reading Specialists Michelle DeSantis & Ashlee Koenes
- b. Learning Services Coordinator Lisa Dalton
- c.  Prairie Literacy Overview for H/S

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.  DRAFT H&S Meeting Minutes 12/12/2023
 - i. 1. KS 2. TC
- b. January 2024 H&S Meeting canceled due to weather-related e-learning day

E. PRESIDENT REPORT

- a. Thank-Yous
 - i. Adult Social: Ryan Doornbos & Mandy Gilkes & Committee: Megan Pagnucci, Colleen Troupis, Alyssa Connolly, Melissa Fox, Whitney White, Janasha Higgins, Nicole Viggiano, Lily Kosek and Elaine Wendorf
 - ii. Art from the Heart: Rebecca Bailey, Maggie Rubin & Kat Stark
 - iii. Author Visits: Sharon Velkovich
 - iv. Co-Ventures: Kim Vigue and Kathryn Dillon
 - v. Marquee: Laura Goepel
 - vi. Prairie Partners: Julie Belloli & Erica Bennett
 - vii. Room Parents: Mackenzie Henry, Liza Hood & Katie Smreczak
 - viii. SFCP: Amy Allen, Stu Hong, Nicole Rice
 - ix. Spirit Wear: Nicole Anderson and Christine Navea
 - x. Staff Appreciation, Food: Liza Schramm, Erika Gerdes, Michelle Weisseg
 - xi. Yearbook: Carolyn Buckingham, Tia Claffy, Karen Kuhn & Committee
- b. General H&S Updates
 - i. Portrait of a Graduate
 - a. Outside agency supporting this project
 - b. Participants from 203 board, NEF, H&S, students, parents in the community


- c. To set priorities around student outcomes: what is the set of enduring skills graduates should have to be successful in life
 - ii. 5 Essentials Survey
 - 1. Aim to have done by end of February
 - 2. 20% of parent population in a school to get results back
 - iii. Kindergarten enrollment open–spread the word!
 - 1. Kindergarten preview 3/11
 - iv. Parent-teacher conference registration opens 2/15
 - v. Summer learning registration opens 3/6
- c. Prairie H&S Updates
 - i. School Enhancement/Garden Club
 - 1. Working on options to bunny-proof the garden
 - ii. Adult Social
 - 1. Huge success! \$15k net proceeds raised.
 - iii. Author Visit
 - 1. John Patrick Green, author of Agents of S.U.I.T. book series to talk to 2nd and 3rd graders
 - 2. Anyone can pre-order a signed book. Send in [Order Form](#) by 2/21
 - iv. Fun Run
 - 1. Color run for 5th graders scheduled with Booster on 5/22 at 1:45; we will be in touch with 5th Grade Special Projects
 - v. SFCP
 - 1. All-School Read
 - a. Wrapping up last week of February
 - b. Teacher Read-Alongs currently available on [YouTube](#).
 - c. Mr. Zallis will be reading final chapters
 - 2. Egg Drop Event planned for April 2024.
 - vi. New Spirit Wear
 - 1. Beanies are still available for purchase in the main office, \$20, cash or check
- d. Upcoming H&S Events
 - i. Wednesday, February 14: Valentine’s Day Room Parties
 - ii. Friday, February 23: John Patrick Green author visit (2nd and 3rd grade)
 - iii. Tuesday, February 27, & Wednesday, February, 28: Angeli’s dine out/take out night
 - iv. Monday, March 4 - Wednesday, March 6: Prairie Spring Book Fair
- e. Contact the board with any questions or suggestions:
 - i. Megan Pagnucci, prairiehs@gmail.com,
Colleen Troupis, prairiecopresident@gmail.com,
 - ii. Stuart Hong prairieschoolvp@gmail.com
 - iii. Allison Kellogg, prairiesecretary@gmail.com

- iv. Derrick Allen, prairietreas@gmail.com

F. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

- a. Committee chair intent to return forms sent 2/7 with 2/16 deadline.
 - i. As of 2/14/24:
 - 1. 35 responses (out of 55 current chairs)
 - 2. 16 YES, 16 NO, 3 MAYBE
 - 3. *(Co-)Chairs will be needed for: Art Awareness, Author Visits, Book Fair, Co-Ventures, Jingle Bell Junction, School Supplies, SFCP, Special Projects, Staff Food, Staff Gifts & Yearbook*
- b. Executive Board slate update
 - i. Slate Ballot will be e-mailed school-wide on Friday, Feb. 16 via Talk203
 - ii. Voting will be open from February 16 to March 12.
- c. Confidentiality Agreement (responses to be consolidated)

G. TREASURER REPORT

- a. Review current year account reconciliations, P/L reports and transaction detail reports. [December 2023](#); [January 2024](#)
 - i. Savings - \$5,561.73
 - ii. Checking - \$42,504.47 Bank, \$39,003.22 Book
 - 1. Approval of Reports
 - a. Vote to Approve (December P&L)
 - i. 1. NA 2. KS All in favor.
 - b. Vote to Approve (January P&L)
 - i. 1. KS 2. TC All in favor.
- b. 2023-2024 October 2023 Budget
 -  Budget Planning Worksheet_2023-2024-update.xlsx
- c. Forms
 - i. Deposit form is available in the Prairie office - cash needs 2 signatures
 - ii. Check request form is on the Prairie volunteer google drive and H&S website
- d. All payments need to go through Prairie office
- e. Cannot reimburse tax - Tax exemption certificate on volunteer google drive

H. SECRETARY REPORT

- a. Correspondence
 - i. Staff
 - ii. Thank-yous
- b. Attendance Raffle - Book Fair Bucks
 - i. Winner: Nicole Anderson

I. PRINCIPAL REPORT

- a. Open House
 - i. Thank you to all who attended our Open House event. It was great to see so many families in attendance.
- b. Kindergarten Registration
 - i. If you know of any families with an incoming kindergarten student, please remind them to make sure they have registered their student using the online registration via the district website. Early registration allows us to have an accurate number to plan for sections and materials.
- c. Kindergarten Preview will be held on Monday, March 11th. As a reminder there is no school for our current kindergarten students on that day.
- d. Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - i. Thursday, March 7th (5:00-8:30) and Friday, March 8th (8:00-12:00)
 - ii. Sign Up will begin on Thursday, February 15th. PTC Wizard is used to sign-up for conferences. You will access the PTC Wizard website at: <https://naperville203.ptcwizard.com/parent/> and login using your Infinite Campus portal username and password (same one you used if you participate in online annual update last spring).
 - iii. Conferences will be held on Zoom. If you would like to meet with one of our specialists or a member of the LAMPE team, reach out to those individuals directly to schedule.
 - iv. As a reminder there is no school on either of those days.
- e. IAR Testing
 - i. IAR Testing will take place the month of March for students in grades 3-5. This is a change as it usually takes place after spring break. Please note that we will test right up until we leave for spring break. A testing schedule as well as an adjusted LAMPE schedule will be shared with families once it is finalized.
- f. Upcoming Days Off
 - i. Monday, February 19th – Presidents Day
 - ii. Friday, March 1st – County Wide Institute
 - iii. Tuesday, March 19th – eLearning Day (Election Day)

J. TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- a. Please thank H&S for the wonderful dinner and desserts before Open House! It was nice to not have to worry about what to eat beforehand and when staying later into the evening. The snack cart is always a favorite as well. We are so appreciative of how thoughtful everyone always is!! Thank you also for sponsoring tickets for the Adult Social. We can't wait to hear how it goes and look forward to our Teacher Experiences.

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Verbal

i. Book Fair - Alyssa Connolly

1. Book Fair will be held March 4th - 6th
2. Sign-up sent out yesterday; if anyone would like to volunteer for book fair please email prairiebookfair@gmail.com
3. Also need help setting up on March 1st (no school that day)

ii. Room Parents - Katie Smerczak

1. Valentines Parties will be held on 2/14
 - a. Doors open for volunteers at 1:05; volunteers will go back to classrooms at 1:15

b. Written reports attached.

L. NEW BUSINESS

a. Vote on additional funds for bunny proofing of garden

- i. 1. KS 2. NA All in favor.

M. MOTION TO ADJOURN

- a. 1. KS 2. TC

N. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Wednesday, February 14: Valentine's Day Room Parties
- b. Monday, February 19: NO SCHOOL-Presidents' Day
- c. Tuesday, February 20: Board of Education Meeting ([open session](#)), 7:00-9:00 PM
- d. Friday, March 1: NO SCHOOL-County Institute Day
- e. Monday, March 4: Board of Education Meeting, 7:00-9:00 PM
- f. Monday, March 4: National School Social Worker Week
- g. Monday, March 4 - Wednesday, March 6: Prairie Spring Book Fair
- h. Thursday, March 7: NO SCHOOL-Parent Teacher Conferences
- i. Friday, March 8: NO SCHOOL-Parent Teacher Conferences
- j. Monday, March 11: Kindergarten Preview-Non attendance day for current Kindergarteners
- k. Tuesday, March 12: Home & School Meeting, 9:00 AM in Multi-purpose Room
- l. Tuesday, March 19: E-Learning Election Day (no in-school instruction)
- m. Monday, March 25 to Friday, March 29: NO SCHOOL-Spring Vacation

H&S Committee Reports

Month: February 2024

Committee: School Supplies

Chair/Contact: Anne Walker & Carolyn Buckingham (prairieschoolsupplies@gmail.com)

We are currently in the process of preparing for the 24-25 supply kit sales. Teachers have submitted their edits, and we are working with our School Tool Box rep to activate our sales website again. We will share purchase info and Kindergarten supply list prior to Kindergarten Preview.

Committee: Special Projects

Chair/Contact: Meghan Lymangood & Pamela Harambasic (prairiespecialprojects@gmail.com)

The Kane County Cougar Reading Program will be starting up in March! More details to come.

Game dates: Saturday, May 18th @ 6:30pm & Saturday, May 25th @ 6:30pm