




Home & School Meeting, March 12, 2024  
Multipurpose Room at Prairie, 9 a.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER 9:02 CT

B. WELCOME

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.  DRAFT H&S Meeting Minutes 2/13/2024
  - i. 1. TC 2. CB

D. PRESIDENT REPORT

- a. Thank-Yous
  - i. Author Visits: Sharon Velkovich
  - ii. Book Fair: Alyssa Connolly and Mandy Mullarkey
  - iii. Coventures: Kim Vigue and Kathryn Dillon
  - iv. Directory Spot: Michelle Weisseg
  - v. Marquee: Laura Goepel
  - vi. Room Parents: Mackenzie Henry, Liza Hood & Katie Smreczak
  - vii. School Supply Kits: Carolyn Buckingham & Anne Walker
  - viii. SFCP: Amy Allen, Stu Hong, Nicole Rice
  - ix. Special Projects: Meghan Lymangood and Pamela Harambasic
  - x. Staff Appreciation, Food: Liza Schramm, Erika Gerdes, Michelle Weisseg
  - xi. Staff Appreciation, Gifts: Allison Kellogg & Megan Pagnucci
  - xii. Yearbook: Carolyn Buckingham, Tia Claffy, Karen Kuhn
- b. General H&S Updates
  - i. Kindergarten enrollment open—spread the word!
  - ii. Summer learning registration opened 3/6
  - iii. 2 opportunities for Youth Mental Health First Aid Training this spring
    - 1. The district is partnering with KidsMatter and District 204 to offer this important training to parents in our community
    - 2. 4/25 9 am-2:30 pm at District Office & 4/27 at Waubonsie HS
    - 3. Signup links coming soon
- c. Prairie H&S Updates
  - i. School Enhancement/Garden Club
    - 1. Bunny-proofing update: Stu Hong will work with our master gardener to complete over spring break
    - 2. Garden Club signup happening right now; first meeting is the week after spring break


- ii. Book Fair follow up
  - 1. Alyssa Connolly: Book Fair was a success and likely outperformed last spring; kids enjoyed it!
- iii. Coventures
  - 1. [Spring Cookie Kit orders](#) due March 14
- iv. SFCP
  - 1. All-School Read Wrap Up
  - 2. Egg Drop Event planned for April 2024
- v. [Spirit Wear Sale](#)
  - 1. Orders due March 15
- d. Upcoming H&S Events
  - i. Thursday, March 14: Spring Cookie Kit orders due
  - ii. Friday, March 15: Spirit Wear orders due
  - iii. Friday, April 5: Spirit Day (first Friday of the month): Wear GREEN to show your Prairie PRIDE!
  - iv. Tuesday, April 9: Home & School meeting, 9 a.m., MPR
- e. Contact the board with any questions or suggestions:
  - i. Megan Pagnucci, [prairiehs@gmail.com](mailto:prairiehs@gmail.com),  
Colleen Troupis, [prairiecopresident@gmail.com](mailto:prairiecopresident@gmail.com),
  - ii. Stuart Hong [prairieschoolvp@gmail.com](mailto:prairieschoolvp@gmail.com)
  - iii. Allison Kellogg, [prairiesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:prairiesecretary@gmail.com)
  - iv. Derrick Allen, [prairietreas@gmail.com](mailto:prairietreas@gmail.com)

#### E. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

- a. Committee chair update
  - i. Will list open committee chair positions in this week's WAAG
- b. 2024-25 Executive Board Elections
  - i. Voting closed this morning
  - ii. Slate Ballot:
    - 1. Co-President: Tia Claffy
    - 2. Vice President: Carolyn Buckingham
    - 3. Treasurer: Nicole Anderson

#### F. TREASURER REPORT

- a. Review current year account reconciliations, P/L reports and transaction detail reports. [February 2024](#)
    - i. Savings - \$5,561.77
    - ii. Checking - \$41,433.94 Bank, \$39,892.20 Book
      - 1. Approval of Reports
        - a. Vote to Approve (February P&L)
          - i. 1. TC 2. NA All in favor.
- b. 2023-2024 October 2023 Budget

- i. Budget planning for requests will be sent out to committee chairs prior to spring break
  -  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

#### G. SECRETARY REPORT

- a. Correspondence
  - i. Staff
  - ii. Thank-yous
- b. Attendance Raffle - Prairie tumbler
  - i. Winner: Tia Claffy

#### H. PRINCIPAL REPORT

- a. Solar eclipse - Monday, April 8th
  - i. District has purchased glasses
  - ii. Mr. Zallis will be meeting with his Leadership Team to discuss our school's plan for that day; more information coming.
- b. March 19th e-learning day due to election.
  - i. Given that our eLearning plan is up for renewal with ISBE after this school year, the community will be pre-alerted to a survey coming out after Spring Break. This will be included in a reminder about the March 19 eLearning Day in an upcoming Talk 203 this Thursday.
- c. Kindergarten enrollment is open
  - i. If you have or are aware of any incoming kindergarten students, please encourage them to register as this helps with a better picture of our total enrollment to assist with staffing.
- d. Spring break 3/25-3/29
- e. Weather changing
  - i. Sometimes its cooler in the AM and K, 1 and 2 have a morning recess – please make sure they are dressed accordingly for the weather and time of day.
- f. End of March - open positions will be posted
- g. 5 Essentials Survey; please complete. We are at 11% and need to get to 20%. Results affect our school report card. Parents/guardians can take one survey for each child and tailor responses for each child. Both parents or guardians can complete.

#### I. TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- a. Teachers would like to say a big thank you for the school book fair! Students loved going and seeing all the amazing new books. It ran smoothly and we appreciate all the time volunteers took to run it. Also, we are very excited to do our teacher experiences. The Prairie community is amazing and we are so glad the adult social was a success!

#### J. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Verbal
- b. Written reports attached.

#### K. NEW BUSINESS

- a. General Home & School [Slate Ballot](#) vote
  - i. All in favor.
- b. Approval for additional SFCP All-School Read funds
  - i. Gift cards for teachers who read, prizes for students, tags for wish tree wishes.
  - ii. Alyssa Connolly suggested using remaining book fair credits towards future SFCP book purchases.
  - iii. Vote to approve overages up to \$600
    - 1. NA 2. CB

#### L. MOTION TO ADJOURN

- a. TC 2. CB

#### M. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Thursday, March 14: Spring Cookie Kit orders due
- b. Friday, March 15: Spirit Wear orders due
- c. Tuesday, March 19: E-Learning Election Day (no in-school instruction)
- d. Monday, March 25 to Friday, March 29: NO SCHOOL-Spring Vacation
- e. Monday, April 1, to Friday, April 5: National Assistant Principal Week
- f. Tuesday, April 9: Home & School meeting, 9 a.m., MPR
- g. Monday, April 15: 5th grade trip to Washington
- h. Monday, April 15: District 203 Board Meeting
- i. Wednesday, April 17: 5th grade parent orientation at Washington
- j. Wednesday, April 24: Administrative Professionals Day
- k. Thursday, April 25: 5th grade panoramic picture

## **H&S Committee Reports**

### **Month: March 2024**

Committee: Spirit Wear

Chair/Contact: Christine Navea & Nicole Anderson (prairiespiritwear@gmail.com)

Don't miss out on the Prairie Spiritwear Spring Sale! Orders due March 15th.

<https://spring2024prairie.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

Committee: Special Projects

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

We're happy to announce that we've kicked off the Kane County Cougar Reading program. The program runs March 4-April 27. We've simplified the program again this year and there is no need to record minutes daily. Simply turn in your form every two weeks to your classroom teacher. At the end of the 8 weeks teachers will distribute a form to order tickets.

Game dates are either Saturday, May 18th or 25th, both at 6:30pm. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions at [prairiespecialprojects@gmail.com](mailto:prairiespecialprojects@gmail.com) Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions at prairiespecialprojects@gmail.com.