

**Kruse Elementary
PTO Minutes
May 6, 2014**

Welcome to the Kruse PTO!

Kudos (Kim Pascavis):

Kudos to Korin LaPlante and Andrea Potter and their committee for treating our teachers like kings and queens. Also to Mike Schneider, Kristina Bopray, Jill Schaffer, Toki Bouchard, Amy Gage, Mr. Gorman, Andrew Kensley, and Jay Patello for helping Kim pull off Bingo Night! Lastly, thanks for the Book Fair to Denise Perry, Amanda, and Sally.

Minutes (Jen Darbie):

April 2014 minutes approved.

Budget (Jim Walsh):

PTO budget approved.

Ideas for getting more volunteers:

Some ideas discussed included having social events with beer, alternating having Tuesday and Thursday meetings, having Base Camp help with the Ice Cream Social (to free up PTO members to talk to people), and providing free daycare. The idea that we need a “call person” volunteer next year was discussed, as well as making volunteers accountable in general.

Facebook:

We need more Facebook friends. One idea for generating interest is a picture contest with student council as the judges.

Bike Day (Wellness Committee):

Bike Day is in the works on May 23, 2014.

Yearbook (Molly Schaffer):

There were seven classes this year where the volunteer did not complete their classroom collage. This put the yearbook coordinator in a bind. She is not going to continue this position next year.

Book Bowl (Kristina Bopray):

The group discussed the possibility of getting high school volunteers for Book Bowl.

Book Fair (Amanda, Denise, and Sally):

Since the spring Book Fair is a “Buy One Book, Get One Free” event, we are hoping to

encourage parents to donate their free book to their child's teacher. And, of course, the winter Book Fair will include a Giving Tree.

Kleenex and Coffee (Korin LaPlante and Kim Pascavis):

The Kleenex and Coffee Event for kindergarten parents was a hit! We will continue this next year including giving each child a Kruse T-shirt.