

**Kruse Elementary  
PTO Minutes  
September 10, 2015**

**Welcome to the Kruse PTO meeting and welcome back to Kruse!**

**Kudos (Kim Pascavis):**

Kudos to all of those hardworking Kruse parents!

**District Advisory Board (DAB):** Kruse needs a volunteer to participate on the District Advisory Board (DAB). This committee meets 1 x month and our representative attends and reports back to Kruse.

**School Accountability Committee (SAC):** Kruse needs some volunteers (e.g. parents, a PTO member, etc.) to join the School Accountability Committee (SAC). This group includes the principal and teachers and it is required to have certain number of community members as well. It meets right after school on Mondays 4 x a year from 3:45-5:00PM.

**Kruse T-shirts:** Wanda Wold and her husband are now in charge of Kruse T-shirts.

**ECO Week:** The PTO approved \$200 for ECO Week scholarships.

**Read-A-Thon:** The PTO approved \$60 for Book Fair prizes to give out during the Read-A-Thon. Kim Pascavis is now working on gathering other prizes for this event. Heidi Joyce and Jenny Deseles are helping Kim with Read-A-Thon planning. Kim is also gathering information from teachers about the best times for guest readers. This year's Read-A-Thon is October 23, 2015.

**Ice Cream Social:** The ice cream bars were a hit this year! Next year, we will also plan on more popsicles because those were so popular.

**Kindergarten Breakfast:** This event wasn't well attended. Next year, the PTO may choose a different time for this event such as in between "Kindergarten Meet Your Teacher" time slots.

**Vision Hearing Volunteers:** Kruse needs more volunteers to help with vision and hearing testing. This is an all-day event and a free lunch is provided. Gail Slack runs this event.

**Box Tops:** Kruse Student Council is in charge of collecting Box Tops. We need a parent to supervise student council to help with mailing in the Box Tops, etc. We may try to see if one of the council members' parents can help.

**Yearbook:** Kruse has a new Yearbook Club. Writer's Arena might donate a camera to the group. So far, 10 students have signed up. There will be a staggered price for this year's yearbook to

encourage early orders. We are looking for a 2<sup>nd</sup> volunteer to learn how to manage the yearbook project to take over eventually.

**1<sup>st</sup> Family Fun Night:** The fall Family Fun Night may be October 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00PM. Some ideas for the event include teaching the adults what students do during P.E., having the 5<sup>th</sup> graders in charge, and inviting food trucks such as Kona Ice to attend.

**Book Bowl:** Jessica Harral is in charge of the Book Bowl. She is also doing the Kruse Directory this year.

**PTO Budget:** The budget has increased \$3,000+ from last year. Other budget changes include adding a Student Council line item, as well as removing Lego Robotics and Math Club for now. ECO Week scholarships come from the Scholarship line item.

**Next PTO meeting:** Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 6:30PM. Please bring your kids to help make signs for the Read-A-Thon. Also, please bring poster boards if you have them. We will set up a reminder call to encourage attendance.