

**William M. Strong PTO Meeting  
January 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm**

**Board Members Present:** President - Lauren Marino, Secretary - Lisa Gelada, VP Clubs & Activities - Leanne Kennedy, VP Communications - Kathleen Titsworth

**Principal:** Melissa Barbuto (absent)

**Teachers:** Leslie Petro, Mrs. Olson, Ms. Irazabal, Mrs. Przybylski

**Attendees:** Danielle Gorski, Elaina King, Nicole Sampias

**1. Welcome: Introduction of Board Members & Attendees**

**2. Approval of November Minutes**

Submitted and reported by Lisa Gelada. Elaina King moved to approve the minutes; Nicole Sampias seconded. Minutes approved without objection.

**3. Principal Report**

N/A

**4. Teachers Report**

The 4th grade teachers reported that they began the invention unit which will lead into the invention convention. The teachers request to push fact fluency multiplication. They are sending practice worksheets home.

**5. Officers' Report**

**President:** School Superintendent Mr. Connellan will attend our PTO meeting on April 18th. The PTO Board attended a District wide PTO meeting in November. It was well received and information was gathered and shared with other PTO Board members. We are still taking orders for yearbooks. Box tops are due by 2/16. Please label with child's name and teacher. Publishing Services coordinator, Carrie Brunalli, is looking for a volunteer to take over in 2019/2020 school year and can train in the 2018/2019 school year.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Lauren Marino reported:

Deposits: \$961- no sell fundraiser, yearbook, school store, drama club, splashed, misc. Income: \$20 no sell, \$1584 Lewis Farms, \$378 yearbook, \$13.81 Amazon smile, \$218 karate and Disney on Ice  
Payments: \$32.95 order new checks, \$2216.36 scrip, \$1188 Lewis Farms pies, \$25 Kristen Pisano-overpayment of scrip, \$271 cardmember services drama club, school store, and misc expenses, \$500 New Britain Transportation-grade 5 Old Sturbridge Village, \$180 New Britain Transportation-K Indian Rock, \$180 Amy Cogswell-change for register for Little Shoppers, \$800 Amy Cogswell-merchandise for next year's Little Shoppers, \$380 Lewis Farms poinsettias and wreaths, \$30 Valentin Karate, \$15 Carrie Brunalli-publishing center, \$48.85 Lauren Marino- Office staff holiday lunch and publishing center supplies. Nicole Sampias moved to approve the budget. Danielle Gorski seconded. Budget approved without objection.

## 7. Committee Reports

### A. Fundraisers

**Fast Camp-** Local summer camp sign ups will be coming in March. Every family who signs up at that time, Strong School will receive \$10 per family.

**Disney on Ice-** This is not a fundraiser. Sat. 1/13 at 3pm. Sold several tickets.

**Splash-** On hold due to winter/snow.

### B. Cultural Arts

An author is coming in February for all grade levels

### C. Clubs

**Drama Club:** The show is in 3 weeks. Kids are doing well. Costumes are being created. The show is Feb 2nd at 7pm and Feb. 3rd at 7pm at JFK Middle School. A school performance will be Feb. 9th. A sound system with microphones have been purchased and are being put together.

**Ski Club:** 3rd grade and up. Cancelled for 1/5 due to cold weather. Next event will be 1/12.

**Karate Club:** Started 1/10. 26 students are participating. Mostly attended by K and 1st graders.

**Talent show:** Grades 3 and up. Looking for teacher and parent volunteers to run this. There will 2 rehearsals and 2 performances (in-school & evening).

**Meeting adjourned**

**Next PTO meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2018**