

September 7, 2023
General PTO Meeting

- **Attendance:** Board- Lara, Carolyn, Chelsea, Lisa
Parents - Stephanie
Staff- Elisa
- **Welcome!**
 - Introduction of Board Members
 - Lauren Piatt - President
 - Carolyn Kilcup - Vice President
 - Lara Tardo - Vice President of Fundraising
 - Chelsea Cunningham - Vice President of Tech
 - Lisa Bryan - Treasurer
 - Marie Sloane - Secretary
 - Vice President of Events - still open!
 - Introduction of Bylaws
 - Read bylaws here: [Bylaws of Desert Sage PTO](#)
- Approve minutes from May: Steph moves to approve the minutes. Chelsea seconds. Minutes are approved.
- **Treasurer Update** - Carolyn Kilcup \$4061.95
 - Funds for Terry- \$190 to replace traffic cones that were stolen over the summer- status: approved/paid
 - Funds for 2nd grade Scholastic News- \$560.49 - status: approved/paid
 - Vote to approve Lisa Bryan to be added to the account - Vote passed. Carolyn, Lisa, and Chelsea will find a time to meet at the bank.
 - Banking Information:
 - Carolyn Kilcup, VP, will remain on the checking account held with Desert Financial Credit Union.
 - Chelsea Cunningham, VP of Technology, will remain on the checking account held with Desert Financial Credit Union.
 - Lisa Bryan, Treasurer, will be added to the checking account held with Desert Financial Credit Union and will receive a debit card.
- **New Business**
 - Fundraising -
 - Goodwill \$698.90 for 3326 lbs!
 - Food Fundraiser each month Sonic 9/26/23 (6th Grade), Cafe Zupas 10/17/23, Rubio's 11/16/23 - all day

- Fun Run 11/17 kick off 11/06
- Christmas Trees - Mtg next Monday to prepare online store
- 6th grade chocolates/candy? - We need more info on this so we are able to vote on the funds.
- Bricks and MiniFigs - mini figure with Desert Sage logo on torso. \$0 cost for us out of pocket. Sold in store for \$15, PTO earns \$3. We have the option to buy for \$10 to sell at our events for \$15. They can be in the store (17th ave & Happy Valley) year round and can be highlighted for specific events. We would need Kristy's approval and the logo sent over to get started. We will reach out to some of the schools who are in the store now and see what the feedback is like.
- T-shirt sales! - 195 orders! Total should be around \$1880, earning us around \$1200. We have not received the invoice yet. Order was submitted 9/6 with a delivery estimate of 9/18. 5 missing payments. We ordered their shirts and have reached out about payment. No response yet. Maybe once the shirts are in Elisa can reach out for us?
- Gecko Gold Supplies/Volunteers for October:
 - Oct 17 & 18
 - **All volunteers must have completed volunteer training and submitted and updated registration with the front office. The next Volunteer Training class at Desert Sage is 9/26 at 8am.** All training dates can be found [here](#)
 - Adding Steph to help for both days. Will email members and others who were interested in volunteering to let them know details.
- Movie Night - 9/15/23 - Popcorn is confirmed from Happy Valley Baptist Church, THANK YOU!
- Mid Autumn Festival 09/29/23: moon pies for Mandarin teachers
- Trunk or Treat in October - 10/31 right after school is the current suggested time. Homecoming, BOO Fest, HVBC are all events the weekend before. We need to have a meeting with Krsity to discuss details and logistics.
- Chelsea POP meeting update:
 - School connect az - love our school day
 - Visitor vs. volunteer. Volunteer training 1x. Register every year.
 - Bond and Override Election in Nov dvsd.com/elections for more info. Not passing could result in loss of all day kinder. PTO can advocate, the school cannot. [Deervalleyvotes4kids.com](https://deervalleyvotes4kids.com) resources to use, if needed.

- Letter grades coming in Dec
- Oct 25th OCHS homecoming parade. 6th grade getting bused to Stetson. 27th is the game, we can help them promote. Align spirit week themes will OC. Desert Sage night at a basketball game? Networking within the region more as feeder schools to OC. Theater available. Performances at our school by OC or Hillcrest.
- Volunteer Training dates at Desert Sage 09/26/23, 10/17/23, 11/28/23. Each session begins at 8am and lasts about 40 mins. If these dates or times don't work for you, there are many other options within DVUSD schools. All dates can be found [here](#)
- Goals for the Year - Risers? , New Flags? - maintenance may be able to replace.
- Meeting with Gary Monday at 8:45 am for a refresher on the equipment before movie night.
- Email us at - desertsagepto@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at Desert Sage Elementary PTO, Inc. or Desert Sage Mandarin Program Parents.
- **Thank you for being a part of PTO!**