**Powers PTO Minutes- December 7, 2018 11:00am**

**Welcome/Attendees:** Please sign in

**Principal’s Report: Mrs. Schwartz:** The Right to Read Week Committee was formed, and there are teacher reps for each level. Information will be coming out soon. We are doing to December Food Collection Drive currently. This food drive will benefit the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. For those of you who don’t know, this pantry was chosen since they assist in the backpack program. December 14th is the Kindergarten sing- a- longs, there are two groups. There will be letters going home regarding attendance and taking your child home for the day after the performance. If parents know they will be taking the child home, please fill the form out. The 20th is Grinch Day, so everyone is encouraged to wear green, and Santa will be visiting the Preschool. The 21st is Pajama Day and Santa will be visiting the remaining classes. The students have been enjoying Comet the Elf, similar to an Elf on the Shelf he moves around the building. The students really look forward to seeing what Comet as done. Mrs. Mounts has asked for guest readers from the district to come in and read to the classes during library.

**President- Sarah Kucbel:** Having Mrs. Barbaro come to the Skate World event was discussed and the PTO decided not to hire her to come. Carissa S. a Title One tutor is looking for a camp parent for Camp Invention, the Science camp in June. It is June 10-14th. There are perks for the camp parent. Please contact Sarah Kucbel if you are interested in seeing the role description.

**Box Tops- Toni Racy:** We are still collecting box tops, keep sending them in.

**Field Day- Jen Wolf:** Thursday the Santa times are 10am and 1pm, and on Friday Santa will be making his rounds from 8:45am-1pm. We have all the volunteers we need, the shirts for the kids are ready. Jen will need a list of the kids who are not allowed to be on social media. Ripcho will be at the school on December 21st to take pictures.

We will need to start thinking about the dates for Field Day. We will begin checking the calendar for interferences.

**Treasurer- Amanda Dougherty:** The financials were reviewed and passed around at the meeting.

**Bake Sale- Michelle Diaz & Lydia Edwards:** The Bake Sale earned $491.44.

**Fundraiser: Darcie Parsons:** We will be doing another Wizards Game next year since it was a huge success. It was discussed as an option to do it at the end of Spring. Also, the Yankee fundraiser is still going on until January 9th.

**Hospitality: Christine George:** We may need to replenish the paper products for the staff.

**Social: Amanda Gallo/Stacy Bruce:** The idea of a Fall Festival or Open House for the community was brought up. This will be discussed at a later date. December 27th is the Skate World event. The admission is covered, but attendees will be responsible for skate rental. The fee is $1.50. Flyers will be going home.

**Teacher Appreciation:** We will need all plans ready by February. The idea of boxed lunches was discussed.

**Bus Appreciation:** We will need to find out who is doing it this year.

**Preschool Registration:** Sign ups will take place on January 14th. People will form a line. You have to stay in line, and cannot leave and come back.

**Other:** The PTO discussed whether or not the current Powers Elementary sign would be moved to the new school, or if we would be getting a new one. Also, a reminder that the PTO will be purchasing a Buddy Bench in memory of Addie. The playground at the new school was discussed. Bids are out for several different options and we should get a total amount soon.

**Next Meeting: January 4, 2018**