



# Meeting Minutes

## Linn Grove PTO

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm

Meeting Place: Linn Grove Media Center

### Mission Statement:

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Meeting Called to Order by Kara Larson

Attendance: 27

(Officers in attendance: Kara Larson, President; Becca Louison, Vice President; Mindy Walderbach, Recording Secretary; Sheri McCormick & Tara Anderson, Co-Treasurer.)

Minutes: Minutes from May meeting were accepted.

### 1. Building Update:

**Mr. Buchholz:** (2) new teachers are Karla Hatchy for 4<sup>th</sup> grade and Nicole Bruse for Kindergarten. Move up day is June 1. Enrollment is up. K-5 is 494, with a total of 565 with Little Lions.

**Dr. Shepherd:** Thanks to everyone for being here, "Profound Gratitude". Enrollment is up by 74 students overall (69 at Middle School level). Discussed the expanding district. Requested emails, tweets, messages answering "What makes Linn Mar great?" #linnmarpride

### 2. Teacher Requests:

*None*

### 3. Officer's Report:

Tara presented Officer's Report

### 4. Adrenaline Fundraising - Kody:

School will be selling Casey's discount cards 10/21 – 11/12! Cards will cost \$15 each, \$9 of this goes back to the school. Cards are "buy a large specialty pizza, get a medium one topping free". Raising money for the new track!

### 5. Current Business:

**Recap Events:** Staff Vouchers – still getting turned in. Vouchers are for \$35. Chalk the Sidewalk – over 40 families participated and Kona Ice came! Meet & Greet – first year with no meal and very successful!

**Coffee Conversations at Linn Grove:** 30 people attended.

**School Supply Packs:** Will do next year! 166 packs were ordered last year.



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**6. New Business**

**2015-2016 Calendar:** Family Fun Night changed to 4/15 due to Mane Event 4/8.

**NFL60:** 9/3 at 6 PM. Have all the volunteers needed! THANK YOU!

**Maid-Rite Night:** 9/16 from 4-8 PM

**RBTA:** 9/18 Day event chaired by Steff Drey. Evening fun run is at 5:30 PM, run starts at 6:15 PM. Everyone is encouraged to wear pink in support of Mrs. Knopp. Registration for family fun run is \$3 per person or \$5 per family. Everyone who turns in a donation gets in a drawing for a prize.

**Friends & Family Breakfast:** 10/1 and 10/2 chaired by Lindsey Scheibe

**Conference Dinners:** 10/6 and 10/8. Chair needed

**Box Top Contest:** September prize will be book fair certificates! For every 10 box tops, name goes in a drawing for a certificate. One winner per class.

**Hy-Vee Receipts:** So far \$67,127.07 was turned in. For every \$200, Linn Grove gets \$1.

**Family Fun Night:** Need chairs for this event! The chairs for Raffle Baskets is Angie Lawrence and Mindy Walderbach.

**7. Open Discussion**

**Linn Mar Board of Education:** (4) terms are expiring. Forum is held 9/3 at 7 PM at Lowe Park. Voting is 9/8, 7 AM – 8 PM.

**Linn Grove PTO Board:** All positions on the board expire in 2016. Nominations will be taken in March and elections in April!

**Can Food Drive:** Brief discussion about hosting a can food drive in the fall. Chair needed.

**Meeting Adjourned At:** 7:42 PM

**Don't forget to turn in Box Tops & Hy-Vee receipts!**

**Next PTO meeting is October 6!**

**Record volunteer hours at <http://volunteers.linnmar.k12.ia.us/login.asp>**