

# DEWITT ELEMENTARY PTA

## General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026  
Herbison Woods Media Center  
7:00pm - 8:30pm

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA** Motion to approve was made by Maddie Curley and seconded by Nicki Cavanagh. The motion was passed unanimously.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- President's Report - Amanda Wolff *5 minutes*
  - Amanda reported on December updates. We raised \$174 at our December Skate Night. PTA Happy Hour will take place this Friday (1/9/26) at Fiesta Charra. Our teacher membership drive has 17 teachers left to be sponsored.
- Treasurer's Report - AnnMarie Szostak *2 minutes*
- Secretary's Report - Mallory Jansen *1 minute*
  - 110 Members

### BUILDING REPORTS *5 minutes*

- We heard reports from all 4 schools. Most were focused on reaffirming lessons on positive behaviour upon returning from winter break. FECC has enrollment for next year coming soon and is implementing a new software program to streamline payments.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Building Representatives - Lori Smith *3 minutes*
  - No significant updates. Will be starting to plan for Conference Cuisine for March soon.
- Bylaws - Erica Fox *1 minute*
  - No updates from Michigan PTA.
- Pasta for the Panthers - Kaela Humm & Amanda Wolff *3 minutes*
  - Waiting on final numbers to clear from the state of Michigan for taxes.
- STEAM Event - Kaela Humm *5 minutes*
  - Jan. 15th @ 8pm - Virtual Meeting
  - If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with outreach or other aspects of the event, please reach out to Kaela or the Board or attend the 1/15 meeting.
  - Event is scheduled for Saturday, March 21st at Herbison Woods Elementary
- Teacher and Building Grants - AnnMarie Szostak *3 minutes*
  - Grant submissions are due Friday, Feb. 6th, 2026.
- Teacher and Appreciation Week - **Chair Needed** - *10 minutes*

- Lori Smith has volunteered to chair the event. Nicki Cavanagh can help coordinate meals and volunteers. AnnMarie and Amanda will focus on decorations. The theme is 90s.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS *10 minutes***

- Happy Hour: Friday Jan 9th
- Edru Skate Night: Friday January 16, 2026
- Mileage Club at Scott School in the spring - Sara Cochrane (Dean of Students)
  - Sara explained that the Mileage Club is currently sponsored by Chuck Block, a parent from Scott School. She is looking for help with volunteer coordination through SignUp Genius as well as help with printing certificates for students. Amanda will help with SignUp Genius and communication and Lori will help with printing certificates.

#### **NEW BUSINESS *5 minutes***

- Spiritwear
  - We got approval from the district to begin selling Spirit Wear online.
- Culvers Community Share Night - Tues., Feb. 17th - Volunteers needed!
  - Lori will create a Sign Up Genius with one-hour time blocks and share it in the Member Chat on Facebook.
- Michigan PTA - Legislative Conference in Washington DC March 2-4th
  - Amanda shared that the Michigan PTA is looking for PTA members from all districts to attend the National PTA conference in March in Washington DC. They are willing to sponsor a member from each district. Anyone interested can reach out to Amanda or Michigan PTA.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION *10 minutes total, 2 minutes each***

**Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.**