

**PTO Minutes            9.7.17**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Lori Mancini – acting president, formally nominated and voted in  
Lenora Cook – Reading Incentive, P-Bruins & Roller skating lead  
Kristen Collins – secretary  
Heather Newman – Book Fair and Square 1 Art lead  
Tara Finn – acting treasurer, formally nominated and voted in  
Heather Biney – Box Tops lead

**Mrs. Learned's Update**

- smooth start to school year with some new staff and shifting of experienced staff
- Diane Diiorio, new ELC coordinator  
    will be formally introduced at the school committee meeting 9.11.17
- early release day on 9.15.17 for professional development  
    12:30 dismissal  
    reminder, no lunch and no pre-K
- Whitson's BBQ on 9.22.17
- welcome back night for K-4 students on 9.26.17  
    6-8 pm, students and parents invited  
    ELC will have their welcome back night in October
- Thacher picture day 10.3.17
- ELC picture day 10.4.17
- school council will begin soon  
    meetings usually 1x per month  
    have to be voted in, gives parents a voice in the school community  
    if interested, please contact the school  
    vote takes place on back to school night

**PTO Update**

REMINDER \*\*\*\*\* YOU NEED A CORI TO VOLUNTEER IN THE SCHOOL \*\*\*\*\*  
                  \*\*\*\*\*YOU CAN GET ONE IN THE MAIN OFFICE\*\*\*\*\*  
                  \*\*\*\*\*BRING YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE\*\*\*\*\*

***Meadow Farms fundraiser*** 9.14.17 – 10.3.17  
    packets should come home next week

***Harvest Night & Basket Bonanza*** 10.20.17  
    always looking for volunteers for the night of the event  
    students dress up in costume if they want (no weapons, etc)  
    crafts, games, fun all around

***Elf Shop & Breakfast*** 12.2.17  
    continental breakfast served & students (and you) can shop for cute holiday gifts  
    volunteers welcome

**TREASURER Update** (Lori Mancini, summer treasurer)

- Bloom Bus Co. bills paid for end of year field trips that students went on
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Scholastic magazine subscription purchased this year

**SECRETARY Update**

- reminder to sign up for remind, where you receive reminders for Thacher PTO events  
text the phone number 81010 the text message: @thachere  
or... <https://remind.com/join/thachere>
- keep an eye on the Thacher PTO page (there is a Thacher elementary page too)

**Reading Incentive Update**

- students read 15-20 minutes per night
- parents acknowledge via signature on calendar that is distributed
- runs October – April
- prizes are awarded

**Providence Bruins – TBA**

**Roller skating night – TBA but looking at October & March**

**Square 1 Art – Mrs. Dickson will be assisting with this (thank you ☺ )**

artwork is printed on various items (mugs, pillowcases, keychains, etc)  
for various prices  
completion is May, so in time for mother's day

**Book Fair – first one, September (open during back to school night)**

please sign up to volunteer!!!  
flyers will be coming home soon

**Box Tops – please submit box tops (already trimmed is a MAJOR help, and in baggies of 50 is would also be wonderful but not necessary. When submit, make sure to put your child's name/teacher on the bag so they can earn points for their class. Contest begins running now! Extra recess time will be earned for winning class!**

**CONTEST ENDS 10.13.17**

Next meeting – Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please come and support your friendly PTO!