

**Notre École Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) Minutes Meeting**  
**on 8/8/22, 8:30 pm via Zoom at the following link:**  
[meet.google.com/bnm-rrth-sng](https://meet.google.com/bnm-rrth-sng)

**Present:** Abbey von Gohren, Clemence Sullivan, Amber, Wuollet, Jerome Chalmeau, Lida Noll, Junior

**Absent:** Danielle Wishard-Tudor, Vanessa Hendrikson as staff rep (both due to technical glitch)

Meeting started at 8:55 (later due to technical glitch)

**1) Item 1:** Open house Discussion.

- PTO Table. Discussed practical needs, tables, what information would be helpful on flyers,
- Volunteer discussions and sign-ups, ways to encourage volunteers at open house. Make it as easy as possible, give a lot of options, as one parent suggested.
- Lawn signs and school info flyers available - Jerome will make available to PTO for open house table to hand out to parents who wish to promote school.
- Several parents offered to volunteer that evening, and **Abbey will send out an sign up to help cover the needs of setup (1.5 hours before event), during event, and after. (Sept 1, 3-6 pm).**

**2) Item 2:** General discussion on previous and current strategies of promoting the school:

- Jerome provided info on what's been done and is being done currently: mailers, farmer's market every Sat. and Sun., flyers, one-on-one discussions. One parent generously offered to look into getting the flyers to promote at his business. Jerome will get him flyers.

- We have reciprocity with the Alliance Francaise for marketing. Could seek out other businesses to do similar.

**3) Item 3:** Fundraising avenues and donation needs 2022-23 school year.

- One parent offered to arrange a Christmas cookie boxes sale.
- One parent offered to keep doing card nights, and also encouraged other events to use the gym. (School allows us 3 events every two months there, included in our rent!)
- One parent pointed out Bachmans offers a very good deal to schools by selling plants and gifts cards - school gets 15%. Spring sale idea.
- Amazon smile - easy to set up, except on tablets (!!!)
- Possibility for more physical events this year.
- suggestion to push to search for larger donors

#### **4) Feedback from parents**

- included/integrated in previous discussions

#### **5) Vote on the minutes from 7/7/22**

- Motion: approve minutes from last meetings. Motion unanimously passed.

#### **Motion to adjourn the meeting**

- Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Meeting ended at 9:20**

**Next Meeting:** 9/12/22 at 8:30PM CST