



# Mize Elementary PTO Minutes

April 13, 2026

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**Attendees:** Kim Schieber, Megan Passman, Katrina Billinger, Julie Suttles, Erika Kokruda, Amanda Green, Kelly Young, Mimi Lueszler, Shelly Souders

1. President's Report:

- Introductions of all volunteers and committees.
  - Megan Passman (incoming President): 2026-27 Committee Members are filled. Exciting progress ahead of next year.
    - 1. Erika Kokoruda motioned to accept the committee members. Julie Suttles seconded the motion to accept the 2026-27 committee members.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade yard signs – PTO hasn't been contacted yet to do them this year.

2. Treasurer's Report: Katrina Billinger

- See attached report.

3. Secretary: Julie Suttles

- If you would like to be added to the PTO distribution list for agendas and minutes, please email [MizePTO@gmail.com](mailto:MizePTO@gmail.com).

4. Committee Updates

- Game Night was March 26<sup>th</sup> & went well. Minsky's pizza + game night shirts/spiritwear = \$250 funds raised.

5. Fundraising

- Birthday Board: Jenn McKechnie
  - Summer postings on the birthday board need to be in by May 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - Birthday board sign up for your child and teacher/staff birthdays is available through the [PTO website](#).

6. Corp. Fundraising:

- Goal is to have an event offered each month.



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- Upcoming: Sombreros coming up April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Mize dine-out night fundraising since last (Feb) PTO meeting:
  - Chipotle 2/18 - fundraised \$340.39
  - Skate City 2/26 - fundraised \$377.50
  - Chik Fil-A 3/12 - fundraised \$300 (CFA rounded up for Mize)

### 7. Mizeapalooza: Erika Kokoruda

- Will be on April 30<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:30. Combining with Green Night as well.
- Keeping with the family Carnival instead of a school day activity.
- Food trucks will be onsite – Taco Via and The Lunchbox (food options). KC Whip and The Funnel Cake (dessert options).
- Cake Walk and Pop-Toss will be in the gym. Adding an area of auction items which will be on the stage in the gym.
- Green Night will have activities around the back and in the Makers Space. (planting seeds, green arcade, wind spinners and more)
- NHS contacted for volunteer hours for DeSoto High School & Mill Valley to help with the event. We filled 37 volunteer spots. There are still 11 volunteer spots still open so parents will be asked next.

### 8. Staff Appreciation Chair: Amanda Green

- Theme: No time to siesta, you deserve a fiesta. Working through what the budget will allow but will include the following throughout the week:
  - Free staff massages (15min) Monday May 4<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up genius for staff.
  - Raffle for staff throughout the week. Yard sign out front.
  - Looking at snacks, food, drink options throughout the week tied to the theme.
- Birthday drinks/cards provided for all staff members this school year. Monthly delivery for all who are celebrating a birthday that month.

### 9. Teacher Liaisons: Mimi Lueszler



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- Garden update: Mize got a green school grant for \$500 which were used to buy 10 new garden beds (galvanized metal). Those were installed and a donation was found for dirt. Bought a new hose reel and hose in the budget.
- Would like to replace the shed with a larger option to store all equipment for safe keeping, so will review remaining budget of \$483.38 to see what we can allow.
- Mize won **2026 Kansas Green School of the Year** award.
- Empty toilet paper rolls are welcome, for planting seeds.

*Last Meeting of the 2025-26 School Year. See you next Fall.*




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**≡ Welcome ≡**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
 APRIL 13, 2026  
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<p><b>FUNDRAISING</b>        + \$1011  <small>since</small>        02/10/26</p>  <p><b>EXPENSES</b>        - \$6,550  <small>since</small>        02/10/26</p>	<p>GRANTS - \$49        CORPORATE FUNDRAISING - \$678        WINTER CONFERENCE DONATIONS - \$161        FAMILY ACTIVITIES - \$44        BIRTHDAY BOARD - \$79 (pending)</p> <p>AQUARIUM - \$778        GAME NIGHT - \$493        SOMEONE SPECIAL DANCE - \$867        MIZAPALOOZA - \$750        K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIPS - \$2321        STUDENT ASSISTANCE - \$149        STAFF BIRTHDAYS - \$49        WINTER CONFERENCES - \$680        RETIREMENT PARTY - \$300        BUSINESS EXPENSES - \$184</p>
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**ATTACHMENTS:**  
 YTD Profit & Loss

**Thanks for a  
 great year!**



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## 2026-2027 Mize PTO Committee

Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Tyler Hays  
President \_\_\_\_\_ Megan Passman  
Vice President \_\_\_\_\_ Amanda Green  
Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Katrina Billinger  
Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Julie Suttles

### Family Events

Family Movie Night \_\_\_\_\_ Sara Noftsinger  
Coffee & Kleenex \_\_\_\_\_ Deanne Engstrom  
Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Erica Kokurada  
Game Night \_\_\_\_\_ Laura Ramsey/Jennifer Templeton  
Trunk or Treat \_\_\_\_\_ Kim Schieber  
Social Media & Website \_\_\_\_\_ Amanda Philhour

### Fundraising

*Birthday Board* \_\_\_\_\_ Jennifer McKechnie  
*Hawk Walk* \_\_\_\_\_ Laura Swanson/Amanda Green/Megan Passman  
*Parents' Night Out* \_\_\_\_\_ Van Alexander/Ryan Robertson  
*School Supplies* \_\_\_\_\_ Megan Passman  
*Spirit Wear* \_\_\_\_\_ Kim Schieber  
*Class T-Shirts* \_\_\_\_\_ Kimberly Leeper/Julie Suttles  
  
Mizeapalooza Carnival \_\_\_\_\_ Jared Lysaught/Jeff Snodgrass  
  
Philanthropy Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Chad Passman  
  
Staff Appreciation Chair  
*Q1 Conferences (09/23/26 & 09/24/26)* \_\_\_\_\_ Kimberly Leeper  
*Holiday & Thanksgiving Gifts (11/20/26 & 12/17/26)* \_\_\_\_\_ Kelly Young  
*Q2 Conferences (02/10/27 & 02/11/27)* \_\_\_\_\_ Connie Mitchell  
*Teacher Appreciation Week* \_\_\_\_\_ Brittany Childers  
*Last Day (May 27th)* \_\_\_\_\_ Lindsay Billinger  
Teacher Liaisons \_\_\_\_\_ Mimi Leuzler