



Kenneth Butz Elementary School

General Meeting

Monday, February 2, 2026

General Membership: Dena Tomsic, Lindsay VanAssen, Susy Whitney, Margherita Gallina, Erin Sliney

KBES Representatives: Mrs. Apruzzi, Mrs. Klotz

KBES Board Members: Jennifer Franke-president, Yana Kalmatsky -treasurer, Andrea Fisher-fundraising coordinator, Brianna Villani- VP of fundraising and Courtlynn Lawler -secretary

1. Call to Order at Jennifer Franke at 632

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Welcome and Introduction of PTA Board Members, Representatives, and General Membership

4. Principal – Mrs. Apruzzi

- STREAM night went well and it was nice that it was teacher led.
- Student just finished star testing. Teachers will now start looking at data to see growth.
- The special olympics are being held at the high school in the spring. The schools are selling tshirts to support the special Olympics as a fundraiser.
- Superbowl food drive currently going on through Friday 2/6/26.
- 100th day of school is this Friday -Feb 6,2026.
- National school counseling this week-we thank Mr. Gridley for all he does for our students.
- If doing valentines please try for non food items -kids will not be able to eat food items while in school.
- Kindergarten registration is open- Jump start for incoming kindergartens will be August 3-6 and 10-13. Students can attend one or both weeks. Link to register will be coming out soon. Kindergarten Parent orientation is April 9, 2026 at 6pm.

- The someone special dance for 4th grade is February 19. This supports the current Junior class.
- Pssa are in April ELA for 3rd and 4th grade is 3 days of testing 20,21,22 (23 is a make up day) and 3rd and 4th grade will be tested on math on April 27/28.
- April 23 is take your child to work day. Students need a letter from company saying what they did for the day.

3rd and 4th grade Club list is as follows: science club on Tuesday, Fourth grade art club is on thrusdays, Homework club in on Thursdays, chorus is on Wednesdays, Chess on Wednesdays, Math 24 club on Thursdays

5. Teacher Update: Mrs. Klotz

- Kindness squad is currently working on the cozy project. They are working with twisted threads company. The goal is to supporting families of butz and to make 12 blankets. If there is extra these would go to veterans or nursing homes.
- Feb 11 is the yearly dunkin white out. Donations go to special Olympics.
- Feb 17-20 the kidness squad will be focusing on random acts of kindness
- Thank you for patience flexibility with delays/cancelations/ FID days

6. Be Safe: Margherita Gallina

- Thank you to families for patience with weather related changes
- Fall registrario for 2 days was last week and 3 days has limited spots becayse of the current class moving up
- After school had hot choc Fridays -thinking of different things to do with after school kids
- Salsa delivery is tomorrow profit is about 1100
- After school registration will be in march -looking for help with after school care

7. Secretary Update: Courtlynn Lawler

- Requested approval for December 2025 meeting minutes. Susy Whiteny approved, and Andrea Fisher seconded.
- Mrs. Klotz and Erin Sliney approved opening the ability to submit board nominations.

8. Treasurer update: Yana Kalmatsky

- PTA Filed tax return
- Budget reviewed – holiday shop was recently added- netted around 8000.00
- Bingo in the works with sponsors and ticket sales
- Field trips expenses are coming in for 4th and Kindergarten currently
- Square 1 -Brought in 1600 dollars but go to Mrs. Donaldson

- Opened a Credit card to help with spending-only to be used by the board

9. Vice President of Volunteers Update: Andrea Fisher

- Thank you to everyone being flexible with the change in event times/dates
- Chalking team will do poster for the 100th day of school on Feb 6
- Barnes and noble night is 2/13
- RIF is coming out next month
- Moving forward we will be focusing on teams rather than chairs -priority sign up in April/ May for next year teams
- Still need volunteers for 4th grade moving up ceremony –June 4th -Diana and Andrea will focus on planning and Christina and Audrey will help day of

10. Committee Updates:

- Erin Sliney –RIF-next month
 - Will buy books in the summer
- Teacher lunches received the menus to decide on
- Variety show- March 27-sign ups are out
 - Mr. Hausman is helping

11. Fundraising Update: Brianna Villani

- Bingo 20 days to go-sold 100 tickets so far
 - Baskets are pretty set we have approximately 85 baskets
 - The Bingo will be advertised in the Key for the next 3 weeks
 - FBLA will be there bake sale
 - 1 silver sponsor spot still available
 - Door prizes still need 10-15
 - A banner will be made to show all of our sponsors
- Night at races-currently have 18 premium raffle baskets. There are 2 tables purchased. Doors at the Phoenix will open at 6. Races will start at 7 and go till 10.
 - Capacity 225 people. Event is for people 21 and over. Food and drink will be available as an additional charge.
 - Still looking for a DJ
 - Reached out to buy horse race
- Day at the races is an in school assembly with different heats. The final heat will have one representative from each grade and other select individuals.
 - Kids will bet on their grades with coins and cash. There will be a reward for highest earning class and reward for whoever wins race.

- Still Need a lead for chocolates on broadway
- We will also have a pick your own fundraiser including: sparkle car wash, dave and busters, and Hershey park

12. President Update: Jennifer Franke

- Opening for board postions nominations starts today and goes till the march meeting. If you have any intereste in a board position or nominating someone please email kbesptanominations@gmail.com
- Must be a PTA member to vote and to be on the board

14. Adjourn – meeting adjourned at 754 by Jennifer Franke. Susy whitney approved, and Brianna Villani seconded. Our next meeting is Monday, March 2, in the LGI Room.

Next General PTA Meeting, Monday, March 2

THANK YOU FOR TAKING PART IN YOUR PTA!