



# Meeting Minutes Whipple PTO Meeting

February 11, 2021

## Call to order

6:00pm – Kent Witters

## Attendees

Attendees included: Kent Witters, Tracey Evans, Brian Miller, Erica Mytinger, Travis Cyrus, Rebecca Paliswat, Amanda Hogan, Holly Lenox, Katie Waggoner

## Treasurer's Report

Reviewed and approved

## New business – Updates in Green text

### Events

- **Family “Kick-Off” Field Day: Canceled** - PTO Board will make up the committee. Event Date Sept. 9, 2020. Food/Inflatables/Bob Snyder to possibly speak. Kent is getting some quotes on the food/games/inflatables
- **Staff Appreciation: Committee** – Amanda Hogan; Katie; Christina; Betsy Sterling; Rebecca Paliswat. **Upcoming events: Staff appreciation in May. Discussed possible ideas including boxed lunches, coffee bar set up from Tremont Coffee, gift cards.**
- **Walk a Thon: May 7, with a May 14 rain date. Committee – Holly Lenox and Alison Witters. Discussed prize options that could replace the usual Limo Lunch Ride.**
- **Limo Lunch:** Canceled due to COVID.
- **Kindergarten Pumpkins:** Paid for by the PTO, ordered by Brian Miller, and will be delivered by 10/22 to the school- Completed
- **Fall Class Parties:** Oct. 30, 2020 – PTO to provide Snack, Drink, Craft and treat bags for all students. Teachers/school staff will host the classroom parties. No volunteers allowed at this time. Completed, Under Budget.
- **Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser:** proposed by Kent Witters. Options are: Dine in/Bag of Peanuts Sale/Gift Card Sale. Texas Roadhouse will then donate a salad and bread luncheon to the teachers in addition to sharing a percentage of the fundraiser sales with the PTO. After further research it was determined the risk of delivering gift cards was greater than the potential fundraising reward.
- **Election Bake Sale:** Canceled - Nov. 3, 2020
- **Grandparents Day:** Postponed at this time. Revisit in the Spring.
- **Mother/Son Day:** Postponed at this time - Jan. 31, 2021; Location: The Career & Wellness Center; Holly Lenox to reserve the date

- **Winter Class Parties:** Feb. 11, 2021. Completed. Committee – Alison Witters, Tracey Evans, Rebecca Paliswat
- **Father/Daughter Dance:** Postponed at this time - Feb. 19, 2021
- **Bookfair: Postponed at this time.** Week of March 8, 2021; Family Bookfair Night March 10, 2021
- **Variety Show: Postponed at this time** - Tryouts March 9, and March 11 2021; Dress Rehearsal March 18, 2021; Variety Show March 19, 2021
- **End of Year School Field Day:** Postponed at this time. May 21, 2021 – inflatables will need to be reserved
- **Fourth Grade Massillon Rec Center Party:** All field trips are postponed at this time. There will be a Fourth Grade Recognition Celebration Parade. Committee – Amanda Hogan; Natalie; Rebecca Paliswat; Betsy Sterling. May 25, 2021.
- **Chipotle Fundraisers:** Fall Dine-in Complete. \$482.41 raised which was 33% of the sales brought in by Whipple supporters. Kent Witters suggested we host 2 Chipotle Fundraisers (possibly beginning of September 2020 and again in April/May 2021). Kent Witters will coordinate with Chipotle. **Next Fundraiser Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-8PM**
- **Scholarship Awards:** 2019/2020 Complete. 2020-2021 Committee - Holly Lenox and Betsy Sterling.
- **Quarter Auction:** on hold for further discussion.
- **Yearbook – Committee –** Kristy Ruef and her son.
- **Student Birthday Treats:** Committee – Kent Witters. PTO has been and will continue to provide, this year, a Peanut/Gluten Free pre-packaged treat for all students on the last Friday of each month so that classrooms can celebrate student birthdays. End of January will include December and January birthdays.
- **Square One Art – On schedule.** Box has arrived at the school as of 1/14/2021 to begin the art projects. Board approved moving forward with Square One Art for the 2020/2021 school year. Committee – Tracey Evans

#### Miscellaneous Discussion Items

- **Nominations for 2021-2022 WHPTO Board will be taken at the March meeting. Travis Cyrus will assemble the ballots and report the results at the April meeting.**
- Kent Witters introduced “Amazon Smile”. A new fundraising opportunity through smile.amazon.com purchases which will be rolled out in detail via paper flyer to parents, WHPTO Facebook page, and Remind.
- **Future PTO Meeting Date:** Second Thursday of every month, held virtually: 11/19/2020; 1/14/2021; 2/11/2021; 3/11/2021; 4/8/2021. 6:00p.m. **Link to Google Meet will go out via Kent Witters.**
- **Behavior Parties:** Will be replaced by “Whipple Celebration Days”. There will be four next school year.
- **Kindness Club: Complete** - with Mrs. Ousley moving to T.C. Knapp Whipple Elementary will be taking a year off from Kindness Club to be revisited next school year (2021-2022). Remaining Kindness Club money will be transferred to T.C. Knapp. Erica Mytinger will get that information to Brian Miller.
- **Face Masks Donation** – a Whipple parent has handmade and donated bags of Adult and Child face masks to Whipple Elementary. The Board has approved to gift to the parent a gift card that has been in reserve/unused from last year’s staff appreciation.

- **Christmas Movie/Pajama Day** – canceled due to early winter break. PTO Board approved providing the snack for this in school event.

**Next Meeting: March 11, 2021 6:00pm** opened up to Whipple parents. **Will be held virtually.**

**Direct any questions to:** [kent@waikem.com](mailto:kent@waikem.com) or [whpto2020@gmail.com](mailto:whpto2020@gmail.com)

**Motion to Close: Kent Witters, 6:25pm**

**Tracey Evans**

**2/16/2021**

**Secretary**

**Date of approval**