



**Wheatland Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.**  
**PTO General Meeting Minutes**  
**April 23, 2019**

Traci Swindler, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Wheatland Elementary School library. Present were Elton Armbrister, Bree Greer, Karen Maskell, Janna McConnaughay, Angie Muether, Cara Payne, Melissa Schumacher, Traci Swindler, Amy Voegeli, and Brittany Youngers.

**Welcome: Traci Swindler**

Ms. Swindler welcomed the group to our last PTO meeting of the year. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2019, General PTO Meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

**Principal's Report: Elton Armbrister**

Carolyn Matthews received the Helping Hands award this year. On behalf of the Wheatland teachers and staff, Mr. Armbrister thanked Ms. Matthews for her commitment to the school and appreciates all the hard work she has done over the years.

Mr. Armbrister discussed plans for the upcoming school year. They have held interviews for open teaching positions and have offered positions. They had several good candidates. Positions have not been posted yet as the district board has not taken action on new hires yet. The board meets the second Monday of each month and announcements will be made after that.

Mr. Armbrister explained that there are a few grade levels that are close to adding new sections for next year. First grade will move to the 400 hall and third grade will move to the 300 hall.

The William Allen White bowling trip at the Alley was today. Thank you to Mrs. Platzer for organizing the party for the students. There were 53 students who qualified for the bowling party. This was the most students to complete the William Allen White reading challenge. Thank you to Mrs. Sprague and Mrs. Wald who also helped out during the event.

Wheatland teachers and staff continue to implement the Capturing Kids Hearts program and are approaching the end of its first year. Mr. Armbrister recently participated in a leadership survey for personal growth. Six staff members were invited to take the survey about him. Results from

the survey revealed that he is not always spontaneous and tends to be cautious about change. Mr. Armbrister felt these results were fairly accurate and it was nice to know that he didn't learn anything new.

### **Treasurer's Report: Cara Payne**

Ms. Payne presented the Treasurer's Report. Spirit wear netted a profit of \$100.18 and Wheatland night at Aviate yielded a profit of \$281.00. The final net profit for Family Fun Night was \$8,114.54.

### **Family Fun Night: Traci Swindler and Karen Maskell**

Ms. Swindler reported that Family Fun Night was a great success. A FFN survey was distributed over Peachjar and the PTO Facebook website. Ms. Maskell reviewed data received from the FFN survey. Thus far there have been 37 responses to the survey. Overall most of the data was positive. Suggestions for improvement included more volunteers for certain games, different quality prizes, more lead time for baskets and communication, various basket ideas, and different food and drink options.

### **2019-2020 Executive Board Elections**

Ms. Swindler took nominations from the floor for the 2019-2020 executive board. The unopposed slate of officers was: President, Traci Swindler; Vice-President, Karen Maskell; Treasurer, Cara Payne; Secretary, Carolyn Matthews. A motion was made and seconded to elect the 2019-2020 executive board as presented. The motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

### **2019-2020 Open Coordinator Positions**

Ms. Swindler reviewed the open PTO Coordinator positions for next year: Room Parents Coordinator, Dillons/Scrip/Amazon Coordinator, Family Fun Night Coordinator, Warrior Dash Coordinator, Greater Andover Days Parade Coordinator, and Social Nights Coordinator. If anyone is interested or would like more information please contact us. Any of the positions could be done with a co-coordinator as well.

### **Remaining 2019 Schedule of PTO Events**

May 2, 2019, will be Wheatland Night at Blaze Pizza from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and at Freezing Moo from 12:00-9:00 p.m. School Employee Appreciation Week is May 6-10, 2019. PTO will provide a lunch; there will be a sign-up sent out in the future.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Karen Maskell, Vice-President, for*

Carolyn Matthews, Secretary