



Wheatland Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.
PTO General Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2021

Betsy Poland, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on a virtual Zoom meeting. Present were Elton Armbrister, Whitney Beard, Kara Calhoun, Nicole Castleberry, Kelli Emrick, Karen Maskell, Janna McConnaughay, Betsy Poland, Marynell Popst, Ashley Purdum, Anjanette Riggin, Laura Pedroja, Carolyn Ruggles, Patti Scales, Amy Voegeli, Lindsey Wilson.

Welcome: Betsy Poland

Ms. Poland welcomed the group. A motion to approve the minutes of the November PTO Meeting was moved and seconded. A poll was launched via Zoom and the minutes were approved without objection.

Principal's Report: Elton Armbrister

Mr. Armbrister welcomed everyone. He explained that enrollment information will be coming out soon. A committee met regarding remote learning and discussed the idea to allow students to work in small groups within the classroom. This could be a way to reduce the number of students who would need to quarantine if there was a positive case in a classroom. State Assessments are still scheduled to take place this spring for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders. Mr. Armbrister stated that we are operating as we have been and that he is happy that we can keep the doors open.

Treasurer's Report: Anjanette Riggin

Ms. Riggin presented the Treasurer's Report through 12/31/20 and noted that several deposits and disbursements have been made in January. The Warrior Dash netted over \$24K and PTO has paid allocations to WES for all Priority 1 through 4 items. We will continue to monitor our budgetary commitments through the end of this school year.

Coordinator Reports

Lead Room Parents: Kara Calhoun

Room parents should reach out to teachers to see if they need any supplies for their classrooms. Information about Valentine parties should be coming out soon. If teachers choose to have students bring anything in, those items must be commercially produced and individually wrapped.

Family Fun Night: Nicole Castleberry

The Family Fun Night Committee met with the PTO executive board in a separate session on January 19 and discussed providing a family night at Starlite Drive-In for all students and staff and their families. In lieu of a basket raffle, a “bridge-the-gap” fundraiser will be held to ensure we end the year with the necessary funds stated in our by-laws.

Karen Maskell: Student Directory

Please see the information in the Weekly Warrior about updating information in the student directory.

Weekly Warrior: Amy Voegeli

Every Wednesday morning, the Weekly Warrior is emailed to families. Any other items to be included in the Weekly Warrior needs to be submitted to Ms. Voegeli by Monday of the week in which it is to run. Email submissions to PTOWeeklyWarrior@gmail.com

Restaurant Nights: Lindsey Wilson

There will likely be two more restaurant nights this year. More information will be coming out about these. Please be sure at all restaurant nights to mention that you are with the Wheatland PTO so our school can get the proceeds earned.

Laura Roddy: Legislative Liaison

Legislature just swore in new representatives and Ms. Roddy will keep us updated on what is going on with them.

Spirit Wear: Ashley Purdum

We are hoping to have an order open later this spring and again in the summer. Any new ideas for merchandise should be sent to ashley.purdum@yahoo.com

Marynell Popst: Staff Meals and Internal Audit

Staff was provided breakfast from Fuzzy's Taco Shop during Professional Learning on January 15. Mr. Armbrister commented that he loved their breakfast tacos! Another staff meal will be planned for February 12.

Ms. Popst is also working on the Internal Audit of the 2019-2020 school year.

New Business

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was moved and seconded. A poll was launched via Zoom and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s

Whitney Beard, Secretary