



**Wheatland Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.
PTO General Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2017**

PTO President, Traci Swindler, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Wheatland Elementary School library. Present were Heidi Jo Gallagher, Trish Geske, Kara Larson, Kelsey Lewis, April Platzer, Carolyn Matthews, Janna McConnaughay, Elizabeth Nance, Cara Payne, Heather Rainey, Sarah Rogers, Cassie Scriptor, Traci Swindler, Theresa Walker, and Michelle Wallace.

Welcome: Traci Swindler

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2016, General PTO Meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

Principal's Report: Traci Swindler for Elton Armbrister

Mr. Armbrister reports that the new buzz-in security system is going well. Wheatland enrollment is up to 450 students, with several new families enrolling over the holiday break.

Treasurers' Report: Elizabeth Nance and Cara Payne

Ms. Nance presented the Treasurer's Report. In addition, the recent Jason's Deli Night brought in \$203 and the Skate Night brought in \$137 (with 179 skaters). Ms. Wallace noted that we will probably not meet the budgeted goal of \$2,500 for box tops; we may reach \$2,000.

We have given the school \$18,000 (the previously approved allocations amount). Ms. Zerbe keeps a spreadsheet with the list of approved items, when they are purchased, and the amount.

Because the Warrior Dash exceeded budgeted expectations, and the school paid for Brainpop software on its own (a \$2,300 line item in the approved budget), we have additional money to allocate. The Allocations Committee met and considered requests from the Building Leadership Team's ("BLT") request to fund a 3d grade PE field trip, doc cameras (2), external disc drives for all teachers (35), and Osmos updates for kindergarten, totaling \$1,764. The BLT also requested 43 additional Chromebooks, to bring the 4th and 5th grades to a 1:1 ratio, at a cost of \$12,225. This exceeds the amount currently available to allocate.

The Allocations Committee recommends that the PTO amend the 2016-2017 budget to include:

PE field trip for 3d grade	\$186
Doc cameras (2)	\$115
External disc drives (35)	\$875
Osmos updates	\$588

The Allocations Committee also recommends that any additional funds available to allocate this school year go toward the purchase of Chromebooks, up to 43 total. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Allocation Committee's recommendation and amend the budget accordingly. The motion was approved by voice vote without objection.

Yearbook Update: Traci Swindler for Shelly Stumpe

As of January 19, we have sold 102 yearbooks; last year we sold 283. The deadline for ordering is February 3.

Family Fun Night: Michelle Wallace

Ms. Wallace reported that preparations for Family Fun Night are underway. Anyone who is interested in coming to the coordinators meeting should email her.

Ms. Larson reported that raffle basket items will be due by March 9. Each grade has a theme, and the PTO will divide items up into baskets. The more people donate, the more baskets we will have. We will also have silent auction items.

Ms. Swindler reported that Freddy's frozen custard is being donated this year.

New Business

Ms. Swindler asked that coordinators think about whether they want to continue their positions next year, or are interested in other positions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s Carolyn L. Matthews

Carolyn Matthews, Secretary