



**Wheatland Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.
PTO General Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2022**

Betsy Poland, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm in the Wheatland library. Present were Elton Armbrister, Whitney Beard, Kelli Emrick, Samantha Jacob, Karen Maskell, Angie Muether, Betsy Poland, Cassie Price, Laurel Russell and Brittany Youngers.

Welcome: Betsy Poland

Ms. Poland welcomed the group and thanked everyone for being there. A motion to approve the minutes from the September PTO Meeting was moved and seconded. The minutes were approved without objection.

Principal's Report: Elton Armbrister

Mr. Armbrister explained that there is no update on the cafeteria project but that hopefully it can be finished between semesters this winter. He said that he appreciates all of the support during Warrior Dash and that it was a fun event. Mr. Armbrister brought up details about the House Bill 2567 that went into effect last summer. He stated that they are making sure they are compliant with this bill and trying to interpret exactly what it means for our school. He said that more information about this can be found in the newsletter online.

Treasurer's Report: Anjanette Riggin

Betsy Poland presented the Treasurer's Report tonight. She went over the budget and the monthly summary as of November. She said that we still have company donations coming in for Warrior Dash but that we have deposited around \$37,000 from the event. We budgeted \$20,000 for Allocations and were able to pay for those after Warrior Dash. We are hoping to cover the remainder of the Allocations items later this year.

Coordinator Reports

Lead Room Parents/Bulletin Board/Staff Doors: Angie Muether

Angie is offering to help take down door decorations if teachers need help.

Scrip Gift Cards: Laurel Russell

Scrip gift cards are all online this year and begin on November 9th. These can be purchased online or by check. Some gift cards will be mailed directly to homes, some will be available to be picked up at school and some are egift cards. More information about ordering Scrip Gift Cards is available in the Weekly Warrior.

Holiday Hugs and Book Fair: Cassie Price and April Platzer

Holiday Hugs is a spreadsheet that will come out in the Weekly Warrior where teachers can list their favorite things. This is a great list to reference when buying gifts and special treats for our teachers. Staff can update their information at any time.

The Book Fair brought in over \$12,000 and our library will receive over \$3,000. We also had a lot of donations for Prairie Creek. This year, the sales tax made things more difficult and other options are being looked into for future book fairs.

Family Fun Night: Kelli Emrick and Samantha Jacob

The committee has started meeting to plan this year's Family Fun Night and are continuing to look into feedback from last year's Family Fun Night.

Warrior Dash: Brittany Youngers

Warrior Dash was a great success. Everything went well and we had great weather for this event. The drive in movie was fun and all other prizes will be delivered soon. Brittany thanked Betsy Poland and Anjanette Riggins for their time and effort to count and organize the donations and prizes.

Student Directory and Yearbook: Karen Maskell

The directory has been a success and we have almost all families included this year. The school will be using Strawbridge again for the yearbook this year.

Weekly Warrior: Jordan Boone

The Weekly Warrior goes out in an email every Wednesday morning. Ms. Boone asks that anything that needs to be included be sent to ptoweeklywarrior@gmail.com as early in the week as possible.

Staff Appreciation: Whitney Beard and Megan Perry

We are looking for families to "adopt" staff members to show appreciation throughout the year. There is a link to sign up in the Weekly Warrior. We will also send reminders on our Facebook page. Scrip gift cards would be a great way to show appreciation for our support staff.

Social Nights: Allison Roth

Aviate night is this Thursday, November 10. Waivers can be done online prior to the event. They need to be renewed every six months.

Restaurant Nights: Lindsey Wilson

Our Chipotle night raised over \$300! We have a restaurant night at Ziggy's on December 6th. More information will be coming about this.

Marker Recycling: Makayla Navarro

Heartspring has a need for used markers so our markers that are collected will be given to them.

Spirit Wear: Ashley Purdum

The spirit wear store is currently open until November 16th. Items will be delivered before the winter break.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s

Whitney Beard, Secretary