



**Wheatland Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.  
PTO General Meeting Minutes  
November 10, 2020**

Betsy Poland, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. on a virtual Zoom meeting. Present were Elton Armbrister, Whitney Beard, Kara Calhoun, Kelli Emrick, Samantha Jacob, Betsy Poland, Marynell Popst, Anjanette Riggin, Cara Payne, Laura Pedroja, Carolyn Ruggles, Amy Voegeli, Brittany Youngers.

**Welcome: Betsy Poland**

Ms. Poland welcomed the group and thanked everyone for coming together to make things happen this year. She mentioned how amazing the teachers have been for keeping things going this year.

**Principal's Report: Elton Armbrister**

Mr. Armbrister stated that the COVID-19 cases in Sedgwick and Butler counties are going up, as well as the positive cases in our building. He thinks things this year are going well and he appreciates everyone's efforts to make that happen. He reported that students are doing good wearing their masks and that car line is going well. Mr. Armbrister said that his motto for the year has been "keep the doors open" and he hopes that we can continue with that. The staff is being diligent in reminding students to follow the new guidelines to keep everyone safe. Mr. Armbrister also mentioned his appreciation to the nurse and office staff in all the extra effort they are putting in this year.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September General PTO Meeting was moved and seconded. A poll was launched via Zoom and the minutes were approved without objection.

**Treasurer's Report: Anjanette Riggin**

Ms. Riggin presented the Treasurer's Report. She shared the results of the Warrior Dash fundraiser and that we exceeded our original goal for the year.

## **Coordinator Reports**

### **Lead Room Parents: Kara Calhoun**

Door decorating and the Halloween parties were very successful, with the cooperation and support of teachers and parents. Information will be shared soon in regards to Christmas parties and teacher gifts.

### **Dillons Card Program/Amazon Smile/Scrip Gift Cards: Betsy Poland for Lisa Forsyth**

Information about Dillons and Amazon are included in the Weekly Warrior. Scrip gift card information will be sent home on November 20th and due back November 30th. Gift cards should be sent home December 11.

### **Family Fun Night: Betsy Poland for Nicole Castleberry**

Decisions will be made on ways to make this work this year. We will likely need to find a socially distant option for this event.

### **Warrior Dash: Brittany Youngers**

Warrior Dash 2020 was a big success! Ms. Youngers thanked everyone who donated and stated that the teachers did a great job making it exciting for the students. The drive-in movie was a great, family friendly event. Remaining prizes will be sent home later this week.

### **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](mailto:PTOWeeklyWarrior@gmail.com)

### **Staff Meals: Marynell Popst**

Dinner from Jason's Deli and breakfast items were provided to the staff at the end of October. Thanks to all the parents for their participation in making this happen.

**Restaurant Nights: Lindsey Wilson**

Freddy's was a big success in October. Our next restaurant night will be at Slim Chickens on December 9th.

**Spirit Wear: Ashley Purdum**

Spirit wear has had a great start to the year. The current spirit wear store will be open until November 29th.. Any new ideas for merchandise should be sent to [ashley.purdum@yahoo.com](mailto:ashley.purdum@yahoo.com)

**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 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s

Whitney Beard, Secretary