

MEETING: WES PTO MEETING
LOCATION: WES Library
DATE: September 10, 2013

BOARD PRESENT: Shelly Stumpe, President
Lindsey Lane, Vice President
Tess Johnson, Secretary
Jennifer Bergman, Co-Treasurer
Brooke Woodward, Co-Treasurer
Elton Armbrister, Principal

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Mitchell, Josie Bahr, Carrie Arnett, Shannon Norton, Erin Baker, Kelsey Lewis, Evie Unrein, Patty Bledsoe, Julie Linville, Sara Foster, Libby Kleeman, Stacy Hand, Wendy Letter, Natalie Ellis, Ronda Rosenberg, Janna McConnaughay, Elbet Ray, Melissa Schumacher

At 7 pm S. Stumpe called the meeting to order by thanking everyone for coming to the first PTO meeting. Everyone went around the room for introductions. S Stumpe made announcements:

- Still need someone to do concessions for Family Fun Night
- PTO meetings will be held every other month as most work is done in committees
- 373 students out of 452 are currently listed in PTO Manager
- The directory will be published in tomorrow's Weekly Warrior email
- Final phase of the playground equipment will be installed this year. It is the PTO's intention to install over Christmas if enough funds are raised at the Warrior Dash. T. Johnson asked a question regarding Warrior Dash donations. Last year, 40% of students make a donation through the Warrior Dash fundraiser.

Mr. Armbrister made several announcements going straight down his recent Newsletter Published on Wheatland's Website. Refer to this link for those announcements regarding Boundary Committee, Report Card format, Kansas College & Career Ready Standards, and District Safety:

<http://www.usd385.org/vimages/shared/vnews/stories/48861e6a0a7ba/Newsletter%208-30-13.pdf>

J. Bergman made some announcements:

- If anyone needs money reimbursed, they need to complete a PTO Reimbursement Form and submit to Jennifer or Brooke Woodward.
- If anyone is collecting money for PTO, hand in money with a completed Cash Receipt Form.
- It is ok to put an invoice in the PTO mailbox (in the school office) for PTO to pay directly.
- If anyone has papers they want to submit to Jennifer, you can send them to school marked "ATTN Nick Bergman, Mr. Hesterman's Class".
- If you are making a purchase, please request from Jennifer a copy of our Tax Exempt form so you do not have to pay sales tax. Cash receipt and disbursement forms can be found on the PTO section of the Wheatland school website.
- Susie Johnson conducted the Audit of our Financials. All is in good order.
- The budget for this year was discussed. It looks very similar to last years. J. Bahr made a motion to approve the budget, C. Arnett 2nd the motion, and the budget was passed for the year.
- The Ways & Means Committee will meet on Oct 14 in the library at 6:30 pm. Everyone is invited who would like to be involved in the process of PTO selecting how funds raised will be spent this year.

T. Johnson discussed the details of All Star Adventures Night being held that Friday night.

C. Arnett discussed the Warrior Dash and provided information on the prizes. \$25 is the first prize level and includes a slap bracelet. If a student collects \$50, the student would receive a slap bracelet and some cool Wheatland socks. A \$100 donation will receive a slap bracelet, socks, and a t-shirt. A \$150 donation would receive a slap bracelet, socks, and two t-shirts. She noted that the biggest change this year would be for families that have more than one child at WES. The \$150 goal is a good option for parents who might also want a t-shirt or families with multiple children.

L. Lane discussed the GAD Parade details. Students from WES, Martin, and Cottonwood will walk together in the parade. Please wear a school shirt. Those who come will receive sunglasses and candy to toss to spectators.

J. Bahr discussed the Book Fair. Volunteers are still needed.

E. Baker discussed the changes to for birthdays this year. Every class will adopt 2 staff members to celebrate their birthday. During Teacher Appreciation Week, classes will not do something every day. A meal or snacks will be provided by PTO Monday-Thursday during teacher appreciation week. Room moms will be asked to organize something for their class on Friday of Teacher Appreciation Week. Apart of the Ways & Means proposal is purchasing chaffing dishes to be used during TAW and in-service days.

K. Lewis talked about the Box Tops program. The Alley donated 100 passes for prizes. 3 students have reached 250 Box Tops. A Pizza with the Principal will be scheduled soon.

M. Schumacher discussed the Scrips Program. She will do another purchasing cycle after the Warrior Dash in Oct. The Dillon's gift card program was discussed. Wheatland PTO will offer Dillon's gift cards to be purchased through the PTO. Each time the card is loaded/reloaded, Wheatland will receive a donation of 5% of the amount. More information to come in October.

S. Stumpe discussed a marker recycling program she'd like to do in the school and announced she is looking for someone to lead that project.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:10 pm.

2013-2014 remaining schedule of PTO Events:

September 13: All Star Night, 6 – 9 p.m.

September 28: Greater Andover Days Parade

September 30-October 4: Book Fair

October 14: Ways & Means, 6:30 Library

October 18: Warrior Dash

November 19: Doc Greens/Peach Wave day

November 12: PTO meeting, 7 p.m. in the Library

December 6: Wheatland day at Imagine That Toys!

January 14: PTO meeting, 7 p.m. in the Library

January 31: Yearbook order deadline

March 7: Family Fun Night

March 11: PTO meeting, 7 p.m. in the Library

May 5-9: Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

May 13: Final PTO meeting, 7 p.m. in the Library, Elections

Staff Meals:

Breakfast

Oct. 11

Jan. 20

Feb. 14

Mar. 14

Apr. 18

Dinner

Sept. 24

Sept. 30

Mar. 3

Gift Card Sales: October, December, January, March, and May.

Spirit Wear: Available for sale now and throughout the year.

Box Tops and Campbell's Labels will be collected in the containers at the entrances throughout the year.