



General Membership Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 4th, 2016  
Library, Building B  
**Unit #9.14.7**

**In Attendance:** Billie Wilson, Linnea Smith, Christine Brower, Audrey Meyers, Rebecca Banasky-Jones, Kim Blessing, Wendi Miller, George Miller, Angela Parker, Megan Vongkhamchanh, Aubrey Durbin, Rebekah Larsen, Bindi Priyanka, April Mohsenian, Betty Gibbins, Michelle Forrester, Stephen Bernstein, Nicole Sizemore, Nicole Baker, and Christina Delia.

**Call to Order:** Billie Wilson at 7:05pm, LWES Library B.

**Meeting Minutes:** September BOD Meeting Minutes: Approved as written.

**Board Discussion:**

**Principal's Report:**

- Parent Nights:
  - Construction Night: Will take place Monday October 17th at 6:00pm at LWES in Gym B.
  - Parent Meet and Greet: All current parents will receive a letter from their child's school for next year to be invited to visit that school Tuesday, October 18th at 6:30pm. This will be a great opportunity to meet the school's principal if their children will be attending a different school and also to discuss the school's PTSA.

**President's Report:**

- Hearing Visions Screenings: Nurses are asking for volunteers! SignUpGenius has been posted. The screening will begin the week of October 17th.
- Picture Day: Volunteer spots filled up quickly.
- Transition of PTSA: Chairs of some PTSA spots will need to be filled with the changing of schools. If someone is interested in a committee they are encouraged to shadow the current committee member this year to help with the next year's transition. Popcorn and Art Docent will maintain positions. All others will possibly need to be filled. Billie will post committee member descriptions on the FB page.
- Volunteers: Trying to encourage volunteers by having a monthly raffle for a \$10 Starbucks gift card. When someone volunteers they will be entered in the monthly drawing. At the end of the year, ALL volunteers for the year will again be entered in a drawing, and a \$25 Farrelli's gift card for will be given to the winner.
- Middle School Parent Group.: There will be an Informational Meeting Oct 13th at 6:45pm. Will discuss whether to have 1 PTSA for both schools or 2 separate PTSA groups.
- Watch DOGS Launch: LWES Dad is a Police officer and is motivated to get the program running. This program would be a great influence for kids having more male figures on campus. Need someone to run the program.

- Popcorn: 5th grade now has 1st recess so now all popcorn can be sold Friday only. Thursday afternoons will remain as popping days to have popcorn ready for the next day.
- Reminder all contracts need to be signed by the president and a copy needs to be given to the secretary.
- ALL parent volunteers MUST have background check. All new background checks will be online and will be good for 2 years.

#### Treasurer's Report:

- Reconciliation needs to be done ASAP. Note to committee members: If you have any questions of the budget feel free to ask Christina.
- Round Table Report: A discussion was held on how to fund the new elementary school's PTSA. Christina suggested we could make a donation to the new schools by a percentage of kids leaving LWES since they contributed to LWES fundraising for the 2016-2017 school year. Other Tahoma schools have more reserves than ours because we exhausted the funds for the playground and new school. 30,000 is the amount that was raised by the kids at LWES today. A General Membership vote needs to be made soon so plans can be made this year to prepare for next year and new committees can be established. Principles of new schools have been informed on how to create PTO and PTSA. The subject of the PTSA will be discussed at the Meet and Greet with parents to start recruiting committee members now. In addition to the LWES PTSA donation, an idea was suggested to donate Scholastic Dollars to the libraries or to teachers, Art Docent Supplies, etc. instead of a monetary value. As of now we do not know what the Percentage of Population Reduction will be. Before we can vote on donating a percentage of money based on the population reduction we need to have concrete numbers. These new school PTSA's will need funds by January.
  - An unofficial vote was taken: "Are we ok with a donation a percentage of our current year fundraising to Cedar River and a small amount to Tahoma Elementary based on Percentage of Population Reductions?" - None opposed at unofficial vote. Will take final vote when we know actual population reduction numbers. We are open to other ideas as well. Billie will find out how this subject was presented to other PTSA's since, to our knowledge, other schools have already taken a vote regarding this topic.

#### Wildcat Cash Report:

- Will be selling Farrelli's gift cards at Take Over Night.

#### Fundraising Report:

- Fall Fundraising- Catalog orders are due 10/11. Will have Mystery Prize drawings. October 18th is Farrelli's Take Over Night which is the same night as the Meet and Greet Night. Families can grab a pizza before or after meeting.
- IHOP Take Over Night will be November 4th. There will be no Take Over Night in Dec because of the holidays/busy time of year. Mod Pizza- Jan. 17, Maple Valley Bar and Grill- Feb. 7th, The Nutty Squirrel- June. March/April/May- TBD. Need volunteers for these nights!

#### Family Nights Report:

- 250 people attended the Bug Safari- Great turnout. Well liked event by many.

- Harvest Party. NEED help with volunteers/games! 5 free tickets for each child for anyone who volunteers. High school Students need community service hours. Christina has contacts for teachers to inform students of volunteer possibility.
- Holiday Breakfast Dec 10th- Need someone to step up to run the Holiday Breakfast. A suggestion was made to contact Barbara Roessler regarding this. A text was sent during tonight's meeting and Barbara replied with YES to run the breakfast. Still need someone to make pancakes.

#### Membership Report:

- We have 305 members to date. Betty will be present at Oct 18th meeting to recruit new members. Christina suggested to join PTSA this year for the school your child will be attending next year to help with the transition.

#### Committee Reports:

- Spirit Wear- Closes on Oct 14th.
- Book Fair- Went very well. Next Book Fair is scheduled on Dec. 10th at the Holiday Breakfast.

#### Unfinished Business:

- Election of Secretary: Motioned was moved to officially elect Linnea Smith as Secretary for the 2016-1017 school year. None opposed. Linnea accepts position.

#### New Business:

- Movie License: The cost has increased to \$520. Will maintain license for February movie night that is already planned.
- "Make Your Mark on Lake Wilderness Elementary:"
  - Teacher Meeting: It was discussed we would like to give families the opportunity to "Make Your Mark" at LWES whether staying or leaving school next year by having pavers with embossing. We would like them to be constructed into a sidewalk/pathway in the front of the new school or another high traffic area. Dr. Meyers will present idea at the next construction meeting so we can incorporate this in the construction process. A committee will need to be created to organize. Christine is willing to make phone calls. George will give contacts of construction companies to wife Wendy.
- Staff Bathrooms: Idea was presented to purchase toilet paper and toilet paper stands (\$10 for stand on Amazon). None opposed to move forward and figure out costs.
- Election of Nomination Committee: 4 individuals volunteered: Aubrey Durbin, Betty Gibbins, Megann Vongkhamchanh, and Linnea Smith. This committee will need to meet with Billie at a later date for discussion.

#### What's Coming Up:

- NW Fundraising – until October 11<sup>th</sup>
- Spirit Wear Sales – October 3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>
- Harvest Party – October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Farelli's Take Over Night – October 18<sup>th</sup>
- Reflections Deadline – October 28<sup>th</sup>

- Next Board of Directors meeting – 11/1/16, library

**Meeting Adjourned:** Billie Wilson, 8:27pm. Next Meeting BOD Meeting 11-1-16.

---

Secretary 2016-2017 – Linnea Smith