

PTO General Membership Meeting
August 28, 2018
6:00 PM

Meeting Attendees:

Liz Bucary, Brenda Saunders, Sandra Green, Scott Smith, Kara Frazier, Mrs. Alligood, Emily Sisco, Tim Brewer, Alice Bachman, Lori DeMoss, James Pugh, Amy Watson, Melanie Atkins, Rhett & Mackenzie Butler, Thida Haufler, Todd Bracht, Tracy Allen, Amanda Franklin, Crystal Fitzpatrick Ynessa Montgomery, Elizabeth Puckett, Jessica Perrigo

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm by Liz Bucary

PTO President's Report, Liz Bucary:

Introduction of her role, President of PTO. Liz thanked the parents in attendance, we have great turnout. Liz also said a thank you to all parents for their support of WFE and PTO with fundraising, events and volunteering.

Liz gave a scope and purpose of the PTO which is to coordinate fundraisers and plan event to help supply items for our students, teacher and staff. If you are available to volunteer for any events please let us know.

Liz gave introduction of PTO officers for the 2018-2019 school year:

Liz Bucary, President

Lily Duncan, Vice President, K-2

Emily Lopez, Vice President, 3-5

Kara Frazier, Secretary

Scott Smith, Treasurer

Brenda Saunders, Parliamentarian

Principal's Report by Mrs. Alligood:

Great start to the year! We have 460 students - the most we've had in the 6 years she has been at WFE. We had 67 students in Kindergarten in 2017, we have 80 in 2018. We are glad to have them. We're totally in the building, no portables or make-shift classrooms. The new wing is great, if you haven't seen it please check it out.

The car rider line has changed to the back of the building. Busses are now dropping students in the front so the students can exit the bus on the sidewalk instead of exiting and walking around the front of the bus.

Mrs. Alligood has asked that car riders exit the vehicles on the drivers side for the same reason, we do not want students walking around the front of the vehicle if at all possible. An awning is coming for the back, the materials are in, it should be in within the next week or so.

We're excited to have students - they seem excited too. WFE is a special place. We are one of the Top 7 schools in Sumner Co. Students will bring home their TN Ready scores this week. The state raised standards so you might notice some changes. They're learning and are hard workers.

Thank you to PTO for all they do. They voted last year for so many things that helped our kids. We aren't selling cookie dough again this year, that's in part thanks to PTO.

If you have any questions for Mrs. Alligood please ask, the best way is email.

Thank you for being here.

School Resource Officer (SRO): James Pugh

James started in 2014, worked for a few police departments. He came to sheriff's department last year. He wanted an SRO position. In May they opened the spots and he put in for one. In June he

chose his school - WFE. The staff has warmly welcomed him. He's so excited to be here. The SRO is here for safety, to protect students and staff. He is also here to mentor and teach the students. He wants to build good relationships with the kids. He will put together lesson plans and teach the kids throughout the year, K-5. He has an office here to use for working on lesson plans, develop mentoring programs and clubs. He's ready to start teaching. He has an open door policy. He will provide email address. Please feel free to ask questions. James is here full time. He will have to go to another school occasionally, 95% of time he will be at WFE. He will be here for all school events, Fall Festival, Chorus, etc.

PTO Officers Reports:

Scott Smith, Treasurer

Budget for the Year and Results to Date handed out and reviewed, it's based on 2017.

We raised close to \$55K in 2017. We're non profit so we spend all money.

Our biggest fundraiser was City Saver. Books. We spent money on pavilion, basketball courts and soccer goals.

Technology is a big push for 2018-2019. We'd like to be able to fund a part-time technology teacher.

As a non-profit, we don't want to end the year with more than \$1K.

We're looking for a new treasurer. Scott's kids have moved on to Hawkins, he has stayed on to assist until a new treasurer is found.

Sandra Green is interested in the treasurer position. Brenda Saunders made a motion to nominate and install Sandra Green as treasurer, the motion was seconded by Kara Frazier. Liz asked for any other interested parties and any discussion on installing Sandra Green. Liz asked for a vote in favor?

Aye. Opposed?None

Brenda Green is new treasurer.

Kara Frazier, Secretary

Communication - Three forms: Remind, WFE PTO Facebook Page and WFE PTO website. We are going to try to be more environmentally friendly this year and post most communication electronically instead of printing and sending home.

Community Support on behalf of Lily - We receive support through Publix, Kroger, Amazon Smiles and Apples for Kids Program at City Saver. We also earn support through Box Tops for education.

We have a new account number for Kroger Community Rewards, HE051, customers new to connecting their Kroger Card to WFE should use this number.

We are looking into the percentage we receive from Publix and Kroger.

Liz Bucary, President

Shirts - PTO sells them for \$10 which includes membership to PTO. This year the shirts match color of the student's house. To date we have 287 shirts sold. They should arrive on or around September 4th. We'll have another opportunity to order at the end of the month. The shirts are not a big money make but are good for morale and helpful on field trips.

Spirit Nights on Behalf of Emily:

We try to have two per month. Our next one will be on September 11 at Zaxby's from 5p-8p

We have two fundraisers that are not event related.

- City Saver - we've sold 180 books as of today (8/28). We get \$12,50 per book.

- Great American Catalogue in the Fall. This is wrapping paper, etc. It will all be in before Christmas.

This year there will be an online option, this will be great for family that is not nearby.

Events -

Fall Festival: October 23rd - Chili Cook-Off, Games, Pumpkin Decorating Contest, Dance (Monster Mash).

KISS Dance: February 12
Spring Fling - TBD in April

If you are interested in helping plan any of these events or volunteering for any of these events please let one of the officers know, we always need help.

Possible spends for money raised - Part time technology teacher, new signage.

The PTO includes all parents, teachers and other family members who've joined. All PTO members are invited to be involved in the planning and executing of events, etc. Please reach out to us if you can help.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm