

PTO MEETING MINUTES

01/10/2024

- 1) Meeting called to order
 - a. The January meeting was called to order by President Anne Earsley.
 - b. Members present: Lindsay Boone, Autumn Bowers, Natasha Sawicki, Jan Hansen, Jen Garlie, Erika Engstrom, Heidi Quinn, Amanda Anstrom. Heather Johnson.
 - c. Teachers present: Mr. Yetterboe
- 2) Agenda
 - a. The January agenda was reviewed by the group.
 - i. No changes or additions to the agenda.
- 3) Approval of prior meeting minutes
 - a. The December 2023 minutes were reviewed and approved by the group.
- 4) Teacher's report
 - a. Nothing to report.
- 5) Officer's report
 - a. President's report
 - i. Many thank you cards were received from teachers and staff for the coffee tokens for Christmas.
 - ii. The Phys. Ed program sent a thank you thanking PTO for the \$500 donation.
 - b. Vice-president's report-nothing new to report
 - c. Treasurer's report-Erika E. reported a balance of \$5,165.65.
 - i. This balance will change to \$2,418.65 once the music program receives our donation.
- 6) Old Business
 - a. Library Battle of the Books
 - i. A gift basket with snacks and a gift card has been purchased and assembled for Mrs. Quinn.
 - ii. The event will take place in February.
 - b. Teacher Wish Tree
 - i. The teacher wish tree was taken down by Jen G. There were a lot of wishes still left on the tree this year. We will brainstorm ideas on how to increase participation next fall.
 - c. Donation to the music dept.
 - i. A check for \$2,747 will be presented to Ms. Buechele at the next Miner's Moments event.
 - d. Festival of lights
 - i. Thank you to Autumn for putting together the 'reindeer food' for the festival of lights.
 - ii. We did have a few left over. Idea for next year is to have a table set up with PTO volunteers to host a craft where the kids would put together their own reindeer food. Will table further discussion for the fall.

7) New Business

- a. Artist in residence showcase
 - i. 5th-8th graders will be working with a professional artist in the classroom in the coming month. At the end of the program the students will host a showcase to display their art pieces.
 - ii. Idea is to possibly have PTO volunteers serve refreshments and treats at the showcase. More information to come.
- b. Better Money Habits workshop
 - i. February 15, 6:30-8:30 in FACS room
 - ii. Free, must register by Feb 9
- c. Book Bingo-February 5th
 - i. \$200 in scholastic dollars were used to purchase books.
 - ii. PTO will serve tacos in a bag.
 - 1. Reminder to add taco in a bag supper info to the Book Bingo flyer.
 - iii. Volunteers are needed to help with the dinner and help with the STEM event going on at the same time.
- d. Spring dance
 - i. Still trying to figure out a date that works. Last year we planned it after prom so we could use the leftover prom décor.
 - ii. Autumn will continue to research dates and will call the hall to see what dates are available.
- e. Random acts of kindness day
 - i. Feb 17
 - ii. Natasha will explore a few different ideas. Will discuss more at Feb meeting.
- f. Teacher conference meals
 - i. March 11-12
 - ii. PTO will prepare both meals this year. Ideas include sandwich platter from Costco, Sam's Club, or CashWise, and soup made by PTO.
 - iii. Will research costs and different food options. Discussion tabled till next meeting.
- g. Erica Engstrom has officially resigned from her position as PTO treasurer.
 - i. Erica stated family obligations as her reason for needing to step down.

8) Next meeting:

- a. February 7th— 7pm in the school cafeteria.

9) Meeting adjourned by President Anne Earsley.

January 10, 2024

Dear Anne & Jen,

Please accept this letter as my official letter of early resignation for my position of Treasurer of the Wilton PTO effective immediately. I feel I can no longer commit to this position due to family reasons along with scheduling conflicts and not being able to guarantee I can make it to every meeting.

Thanks,

Erika Engstrom

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