

WES PTA Board Meeting

October 6, 2022 – 4:30pm – WES Media Center

In Attendance: Eric James (President), Katelyn Gregory (Secretary), Naomi Weir (Communications), Kelli Fontenot (3-5 Teacher Rep), Emily Murray (Fundraising), Kristen O'Janpa (Fundraising), Cynthia Keech (principle), Carrie Bumgardner (BAC rep), Angela Blanchette (treasurer)

Cynthia Keech motioned to approve previous meeting minutes and the motion was seconded by Kelli Fontenot.

Budget

- We have surpassed goal for sponsorships
- \$357 raised from Goodberrys spirit night
- \$125 raised from Dairy Depot spirit night

President's Brief

- MemberHub has been fixed and Eric is able to help out with stuff in there
- Lost some members of the PTA Board due to lack of prior knowledge of what all would be required and due to obligations with family and work
 - Next year, try to bring people onto the board in the Spring instead of at the start of the school year so they have time to learn the role and what will be required of them
- Custodian Appreciation Week- PTA got gift cards to give to custodians and other parts of the school did stuff to celebrate them as well
 - Next year, add money to budget so that we can provide them with an appropriate gift to show our appreciation
 - Need to check into rules about PTA giving gift cards to staff
- Artist in Residence- need some volunteers to help out, Naomi will work on setting up a way for people to sign up to help
- Spirit Wear- field trip shirts have been ordered, shirts will be ready and done before the first field trip of the year
 - Will put out some sweatshirts and other items that we currently have at Trunk or Treat to try to sell
 - Don't want to order a ton of new spirit wear unless we have an event where they will be sold
- Staff T-Shirts- shirts are ready and need to be picked up at store
 - Caroline Numbers needs to be removed as the contact the store has for PTA/school
- Teacher Grant Request
 - Symphony Grant- Ms. Garrett (music teacher) is requesting money (\$827) for bus transportation to take kids to and from symphony
 - The board approves to give her \$500 and the rest will be paid for by students. If some students need help, we will re-evaluate to make sure everyone can go
 - Mr. Hill is requesting \$416 for bowling equipment for PE curriculum...he wants to build 6 bowling lanes for the school to use
 - Approved by board
 - Specials teachers requesting \$205 to buy personalized medals to give to student of the month
 - Approved by board
 - Sara Watson (PreK) requesting flexible seating for PreK area totaling \$288
 - Ms. Keech is going to see what items we already have before approving
 - Ms. Simpers (4th) requesting \$65 for scholastic subscription
 - Approved by board
- Grade Level Reps- Eric and Naomi are going to meet with Kelli Fontenot and Caroline Robertson to figure out plan for grade level reps.
 - Maybe see if any of the grade level reps want to step up and take over the open Events spot on PTA board.

Fundraising

- Raise Craze has been a huge success. Already over our \$5k goal and still have a week left.
 - Need to provide parents with a little more training next year for marking acts of kindness as completed
- Chevy Back 2 School- they accepted and are good to go, waiting on check from them
- Yearbook- Tiffany Maddox reached out to Strawbridge. They are bringing the book down to 70 pages and each book will be \$20
 - Cover has been approved
 - Need to figure out contract with Strawbridge to have more information on all the requirements
 - We currently have no money in the budget for yearbooks so we need to figure that out

Important Dates

- October 14th- Field Day
- October 18th- PDQ Spirit Night
- October 20th- Trunk or Treat at EMMS
- October 25th- Trunk or Treat at WES
- November 7th- City BBQ Spirit Night

Next meeting will be on November 3rd at 4:30pm in the WES Media Center.