



October 11, 2016
PTO Meeting Minutes
Wilkins Elementary PTO

PTO Members in Attendance: Kim Geistkemper, Shannon Hampson, Nick Mohwinkle, Tully, Anna Kelly, Kim Dobrolowski, Pam Schulz, Tabrina Conway, Jodi Norsworthy

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

Minutes from meeting of September 13, 2016 reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Kim Geistkemper, seconded by Shannon Hampson, minutes approved.

Officers Reports;

President's Report: Please consider whether you would be interested in a board position or a committee position next year. Feel free to email me if you would like a list of available places for next year. This PTO cannot run without your support. Also, we have another district PTO meeting Thursday, we'll update at our next meeting with any important information.

Treasurer's Report: Paid for Old Creamery Theater, paid for Homecoming Float, Kindergarten Snacks, replaced a cooler. Hy-Vee was more than we expected and so we had wiggle room there. No bill for the Spaghetti Supper yet. SaveAround brought in \$6,210. Two checks came back bounced and one person is still selling some books, so SaveAround is still fluid. GlowRun didn't do as well as expected, but we are waiting on matches from the Foundation.

Principal's Report: Textwire - sign up for both district and Wilkins. District will send the alert that school is closed, not to the individual Wilkins contact. Parent University - 10/25 - ALICE. Officer Dobbs will be there to explain things, and he does our training with ALICE. PRIDE time - all grade levels will be in full swing in the next week or so. 447 students currently enrolled. NWEA and FAST is done for the fall.

Teacher Talk - Nick Mohwinkle and Tully. Nick thanks the PTO for purchasing Tully - Tully has helped in many ways since coming to Wilkins. She helps students from attendance regularity to listening to students read to her. Staff will come visit Tully. Tully has been used to de-escalate situations that may not have been de-escalated as quickly if Tully were not there. Tully is 1, and a black lab. Data is being kept about what Tully does with her day and at some point Nick may go in front of the School Board and talk to them about what Tully does on a regular basis. She goes to counseling classes with Nick. After 6 months the program will hand over final paperwork to Nick to finalize her being transferred. Pam is being trained to be Tully's second handler for days when Nick might not be here.

Committee Reports;

SaveAround: Update given further up - some are still available to sell and we will get full profit from it.

Restaurant Nights: Little Caesars was last night, BWW is on 10/17 and 10/19, Granite City is 10/28 all day. Once a month from now on we'll be at Wendy's from 5-7, we need someone there (parent, staff, etc) and get 10% of ALL sales. November 22nd will be our first night there.

Firehouse Subs will be added to the calendar, and we are giving a proposal to Jimmy Johns for additional nights.

Hy-Vee Receipts: There's a lot of receipts.

Spaghetti Supper: Spaghetti Supper went great. Have not received our invoice from Elie, so we're unsure at this point how many we served. Thanks for coming and enjoying.

Glow Run: The weather just didn't cooperate this year. Prizes were sent home with kids who turned in donations, and everything else for the glow run is currently being held. We have talked about doing it during a weekday during specials time, but a date hasn't been confirmed yet. If we do, we will let you know.

Box Tops: Box Top sheets are due this Thursday. So far we have collected 5,511 Box Tops! Amber is hoping to make 8,000 this collection. If not, she will run an additional contest from November to December. Keep them coming! We have found out that SOME Campbell's labels are still being accepted and we can collect items from them if we have enough. If you have any Labels for Education laying around, or see any, please feel free to send them in loose with the Box Tops! We'll see what we can get for them.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:47pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Geistkemper