

Monday, November 6, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 by Amber Berglund with 15 in attendance; including Wilkins Principal Amanda Potter, President Amber Berglund, Vice President Becki Tinder, Treasurer Shannon Hampson, and Secretary Meredith Porter, Debi Wells, Katie Brown, Michelle Dalton, Sarah Gostonczik, Marcia Grassfield, Tammy Evans, Krista Wiley, Amy Stevens, Jennifer Corporon, and Anna Kelly.

Amber Berglund reviewed minutes from October's meeting.

Principal's Report- Amanda Potter noted many upcoming events at Wilkins! Wilkins had a canned food drive to donate to the 29th Street Food Bank. The giving tree will be coming out shortly, please stop by to look at the ornaments and see if you can provide an item for a child for Christmas. Fourth Grade has an upcoming music concert. Please pay attention to the School calendar as there are a few No School days coming up. Report cards will be coming home on November 20th, please keep an eye out for these. The Technology Committee says THANK YOU for the money we raises with the Tech Trek, they are looking into taking inventory of the current classroom technology and noting what generations of each we have. From there, they will decide in January how many laptops vs iPads they would like to purchase. The Open House, Book Fair and Blood Drive are coming, the staff is looking forward to this.

Reading Team Presentation- Wilkins' four reading teachers gave a presentation to the group. Every student spends about 90 minutes in their classroom devoted to reading. Child's reading support is based on the FAST test which measure's the accuracy and fluency of their reading, as well as the NWEA for 2nd-5th grade for their reading comprehension. In Reading support, students work on their Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Reading books at their level, and building confident readers. Reading recovery is done in first grade with a one on one instruction with the lowest 8 students in the grade to accelerate their reading. Children are generally taken during pride time for their reading support, they are never taken during their classroom reading time. They recommend 3 websites lowaaeaonline.org is a reading website Username 3715wilk and Password aea10, Storybird.com the children pick artwork and make their own stories, and the Epic app. Students are able to check out books at the library on a daily basis.

President's Report- open House is November 16th, pizza from Zio Johnno's will be provided along with a book fair and blood drive. The Blood Drive will be in the art room starting at 3:15, if we have 20 donors, we will receive a \$250 grant. There will be Holiday gifts for blood donors and the SODA students will provide daycare in the gym. Super Skate night is November 18th from 4-6pm, the kids are encouraged to dress Disney themed. Spirit Wear orders have come home, please turn them in as soon as possible and note if you want the clothes to go home with your child, or be picked up at a later date.

Treasurer's Report- PTO has paid the school movie License for the upcoming year. We have received money for our Parlor city and Wendy's nights. WWTT met their goal this year, we are now just waiting on the matches to go through the Linn-mar Foundation. With the box tops collected so far we have raised over \$400, and over \$600 in Hy-vee receipts, please keep sending them, these help pay for the different field trips throughout the year!

Committee Reports- We are looking into different ways to provide a staff appreciation going into Winter Break. The thought right now is to provide a breakfast or lunch and a gift on the tree for each staff member. Marco's has agreed to have a restaurant night with us! They will provide pizza boxes for each child to decorate, then when you call in your pizza will go in your child's box! Kindergarten through 2nd

grade will order on Monday the 20th, 3rd-5th on Tuesday the 21st, if you have more than one child in different grades, you can order their boxes on one night.

Meeting Adjourned.