

## WILKINS PTO MEETING MINUTES 4/8/14

### **Those present:**

Ellen Teller, Marilee McConnell, Brian & Andrea Peery, Heide Sletteland, Kelly Schultz, Kim Geisthamper, Lori Manley, Shannon Hampson, Jenny Clark, Tammy Evans, Betsy Hardy, Debi Wells, Brian & Ana Clymer, Betsy Bushlack, Tammy Evans, Krystal Miskell

### **Principal's Report, by Marilee McConnell**

Marilee shared that the third graders at Wilkins will be taking part in a "Smarter Balance" field test. This will take place on the week of April 21. There are 3 parts to this test. Two of them will be done only on the computer; the other part of the test will include an in-class activity with a follow up test done on the computer. Unfortunately, due to this being a "test run" of the assessment, scores for those students will not be shared.

Marilee also told us about a unique first time trial experience that will be for the 4<sup>th</sup> graders at Wilkins. They will have a chance to take part in a swimming unit at the new aquatic center coming up on the mornings of May 5, 7, & 8. There will be differentiated lessons designed for each skill level of student. The lessons will range from topics such as aquatic safety, proper use of lifejackets, as well as basic swimming instruction. The overall goal is to provide a positive pool experience for all students. In addition, Linn Mar will be offering swim/diving lessons for students and an adult swim time. Go to the Linn Mar website and click on the link for the aquatic center for all the details.

**Approval of minutes from last meeting: approved & passed.**

### **New Business:**

- Nominations for PTO officers for 2014-2015:  
Co-Presidents: Lori Manley and Kelly Schultz  
Vice President: Debi Wells  
Co-Treasurers: Heide Sletteland and Andrea Peery  
Secretary: Betsy Bushlack
- Please LIKE our Wilkins Elementary PTO page on Facebook!
- Check out our website at [www.wilkinspto.org](http://www.wilkinspto.org)

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Heide Sletteland shared the new budget.
- HyVee receipts dated on or before 4/30 will be included in the check for this school year. Any receipts dated May 1 or after will go toward the check we receive for next school year. Please remember to save and bring in ALL HyVee receipts...Thank you!

### **Upcoming Events:**

April 24 PTO Family Fitness Night 6-7 p.m.  
May 4 Wilkins Day at the Kernels, first pitch at 2:05 p.m.; Wilkins chorus sings national anthem  
May 8 Wilkins FREE Family Picnic, 5-7 p.m.; "pies in the face" thrown at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Debi Wells.