

WILKINS PTO MEETING MINUTES 11/12/13

Our meeting was called to order by President Ellen Teller at 6:31.

Those present:

Heide Sletteland, Ellen Teller, Kelly Schultz, Marilee McConnell, Lori Manley, Debi Wells, Tammy Evans, Shannon Hampson, Ana Clymer, Andrea & Brian Peery, Danielle Franklin.

Approval of minutes from last meeting: approved & passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- Heide Sletteland shared that the lion costume was a few dollars over the \$100 allotted budget; we voted to amend that.
- Wilkins Night at Zio Johno's brought in \$300.
- Clothing sales brought in \$200.
- \$16.35 was brought in from Swiss Valley's Cash for Caps.
- Give with Target brought in \$240!
- Wilkins Lap Attack brought in XXX. Smart Board caption bars will be purchased with this money. The caption bars will convert the existing white boards into Smart Boards.
- Box Tops totals are over \$1600 at this time. We are over halfway to our goal of \$3000 for the year. Keep bringing them in.

New Business:

- Lori Manley, 2nd grade classroom teacher, shared about the new Journeys reading curriculum which is new district wide. It is a comprehensive literacy program that covers reading, writing, grammar & spelling. Whole group instruction and small group instruction are both included in the series. It aligns with the common core which most states have adapted. There is a lot of non-fiction text also included in the series. It is made to reach students at every level; below level, on grade level, and above grade level as well as ELL students. There is a lot of variety included in the textbooks, including many trade books that the students may already be familiar with. Each week includes a focus wall sheet that students take home to share with their families to show what spelling, vocabulary and themes are being learned with the story of the week.
- Mileage club kicked off this week! Each classroom has a day of the week to get their punch card punched for each lap they walk around the walking trail at their lunch recess.

- Linn-Mar boundary information was presented by Shannon Hampson. This information is also on the Linn-Mar website. They are trying to balance out the middle schools attendance. Wilkins may be affected with a few students moved from Indian Creek. Forums will be coming up. Go to the website for more information. Dave Hockett is the representative from Wilkins.
- Family Fun Night – planning has begun for Friday, February 28th, 2014! Food, games, prizes, raffle, & silent auction are all parts of this fun night that need volunteers to help. Look for more information to come on that very soon! Volunteers will be able to sign up on Volunteer Spot. We are open to any suggestions to make the evening the best possible night for all Wilkins families! E-mail Ellen Teller at ellen@teller-net.com. Thanks!
- Work has begun on our Wilkins Elementary Student Directory! The committee is working hard at organizing all the information and putting it together.
- Aquatic Center Grand Opening is at 5:30 on this Thursday night, November 14, 2013.
- Please LIKE our Wilkins Elementary PTO page on Facebook!
- Check out our website at www.wilkinspto.org

Upcoming Events:

November 23	Skate Night at Super Skate
November 25	Tomaso's Night
December 3	Planet X night - \$10 wristband can be bought at the door. Look for more information coming home about this soon!

*NO PTO meeting in December.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. by Ellen Teller.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Debi Wells.