

February Meeting Minutes

Washington Elementary PTO 2023-2024

February 27, 2024 / PTO Meeting / Meeting called by Tara Roe

Board Members: President - Tara Roe / Vice President - Erin Howell / Treasurer - Erin Miller / Assistant Treasurer - Pauline Puttmann / Secretary - Nikki Kilbane/ ISPTO - Stacey Glatz & Sarah Myers

Attendees: Pauline Puttmann, Nikki Kilbane, Stacey Glatz, Tara Roe, Monica Campana, Katie Rings, Kelly Riley, Lauren Giffin, Bry Ferrell, Rachael Abouhassan, Mandy Kanzigg, Jenny Wilks, Danielle Zakrajsek, Emily Todd, Kathleen Waltman

Meeting start time: 7:05pm

Agenda

1. Presidents Update

- Glow party - successful event that was well attended and received positive feedback.
- Conference week - we provided a meal for staff and parents sent in snacks and drinks.
- Elections for next year's PTO board will be coming in April, more detailed information will come from Mrs. Campana about elections for next school year's board.
- Executive board has been having conversations about the budget, how to balance our spending with fundraising, and how the cost of things are going up. Will discuss this further during the treasurer's report.
- At the March meeting the field day volunteer sign up will be available, Field Day will be on May 29th.
- By the April meeting there is a goal to have recommended dates for the calendar of events for the 2024- 2025 school year.

2. Principals Update

- 5th grade ROX group is up and running, made up of 10 girls that are building skills in leadership, communications, and social awareness.
- Winter conferences were successful.
- Washington Gives Back had its first event making valentines for local seniors, tools some students to deliver them and it was a positive event. This committee will press pause for now and in the summer will work on planning for next year to align with school events and calendar.
- The glow party was a success and there was a lot of buzz around the building with students about the event.
- February 29th fifth graders will start scheduling for sixth grade.
- March 14th first grade is going to Cosi.
- There will be a continued focus on school attendance.

- Syentero has started meeting with students this past week.
- March 8th Richen Timm will be doing a dance performance.
- March 11th - April 10th is Ramadan, some students will be fasting and engaging in daily prayer.
- March 13th fourth grade will be having a guest speaker on fossils.
- March 21st kindergarten and first grade will have a veterinary guest speaker.
- March 25th there will be two different author visits, one for k-2 and a different one for 3-5. Information on how to preordered a signed book from the authors will be coming home with students prior to the visit.
- April 8th - total eclipse, no school for students, the district will be sending home a pair of eclipse glasses with every student before spring break.
- April 12- May 8 will be state testing.
- 4th grade will be going to the State House on a field trip in the spring.
- 2nd grade will be going to the garbage dump on a field trip on May 20th and 21st, classes will be split into two groups when attending.

3. Committee Updates

Artist and Community - Kelly Riley

Last week first grade had a reptile expert come in and speak to their classes. On May 15th Mobile Ed Productions is scheduled to come and present a science and magic school for the whole school. The zoo will be coming for an assembly the last week of school. Fourth grade will be doing a zoom with a national park to learn more about their study of mountains.

Flower Sale - Bry Farrell

The sale will begin on March 6th and will be open for two weeks. The delivery date will be May 13th at 3:45pm, volunteers will be needed for sorting and picking up. Currently working on uploading the data into the ordering site. Information will go home regarding the sale with students soon. A bulletin board to prompt the sale will also be put up soon. The fundraising goal is the same as last year: \$4,000.

Spring Social - Nikki Kilbane, Jenny Wilks, Pauline Puttmann, Lauren Giffin, Kathleen Waltman

Monday May 6th. Event will also be in conjunction with a book fair, art show, and basket silent auction. The budget for this event is \$1500. We will start planning for food trucks and animal visits soon, other ideas are to contact the library, police and firemen, and high school students to possibly paint kids' faces. Also will reach out to the city of Dublin to see if we can rent some yard games for the event. The auction will again feature classroom baskets and a plate representing each class. For the auction it would be great to pre promote the basket items to get people interested in purchasing them.

Outdoor Movie Night - Sarah Myers

Friday July 19th, looking for a committee to help with planning. We will sell our own snacks and drinks. The screen cost is expensive so thinking about this cost.

Spirit Wear - Nikki Kilbane

We will not have another sale this year, but next year there is an idea to sell just a general Hilliard item for when kids attend high school games, or move on to 6th grade.

Spirit Nights - Kathleen Waltman

March 12th - Rusty Bucket. Looking to plan a Mcteacher's night at the Perimeter Loop McDonald's in April, teachers would work at McDonald's during the spirit night. Planning a Chipotle night for May.

ISPTO - Kelly Riley

At the last meeting there was no guest speaker. They had discussions about fundraising and how this looks at different buildings. Reminder given that ISPTO meetings are open to anyone to attend.

Publishing Shop - Pauline Puttmann

Four bags are prepped and ready to go if anyone wants to make books, there will be a publishing party for Mrs. Chamberlain coming up soon.

4. Treasurer's Report

- Recent spirit night earnings: Flyers Pizza - \$115, Bibibop - \$144, Jason's Deli - \$39
- Still are receiving corporate matches for Walk - a - thon. Profit total after costs of shirts and other event items is \$18,126, the gross total was \$22,031.89
- Next meeting we will need a vote to increase the field day budget. Currently we have \$2500 budgeted for the event. We received an invoice from Elevated Bounce for \$2700. Also need to know what other expenses Mr. Sutfin will have for the event, before adjusting the budget.
- Glow party snack sales made almost enough money to cover the money spent on decorations and lights.
- Thinking about the amount of fundraisers vs. events. Should we charge for some previous free PTO sponsored events, and where we can cut from the budget? Consider cutting the class party budget and asking for party donations. Also sharing information with families on things like linking their Kroger card for perk give back.

5. PTO Meeting Dates for 2023-2024

Tuesday, March 26th, 2024

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024

6. Final Thoughts/New Business

- Motion made by Tara Roe to approve the January meeting minutes.
- 1st - Katie Rings
- 2nd - Pauline Puttmann
- All in favor/No one opposed.

7. Adjournment (8:01 pm)

-Motion made by Tara Roe

1st- Stacey Glatz

2nd - Jenny Wilks

All in favor/No one opposed