

## Wickham PTO Meeting

Wednesday, October 16 | 7 PM-8 PM | *Meeting called by* Emily Cornish

### Attendees

Emily Cornish, President | Nadia Sabbagh Steinberg, Vice President of Programming | Jenna Wendt, Vice President of Communications | Sara Tapya Salem, Secretary | Alicia Mitros, Treasurer | Heather Stevens, Principal | Heather Lazansky, Jenn Stiegelmeyer, Ceric,

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### Item

Welcome and call to order – Emily

Approval of last meeting minutes – Sara

### Reports

- A. Treasurer's Report – Alicia supply box income \$86, paid out \$300 teacher reimbursement, provide bussing for some field trips, request submitted by principal stevens
  - B. Principal's Update – Mrs. Stevens –
    - 1<sup>st</sup> assembly, fall data for reading and math, minute to win it games. Fastbridge tests - reading 83% district average 65% - goal 88% math 89% district 67% goal 94% - Wickham 1<sup>st</sup> place amongst elementary schools.
    - Conferences mid november – pto support lunch. Mr Witt and Ms Stevens donated teacher money to teacher fund.
    - Working on behavioral, social standards and social emotional health.
  - C. Faculty Update –,
    - Stieglemeyer (Music), going well at Wickham – 4<sup>th</sup> graders doing recorder, have option to purchase recorder at home. 5<sup>th</sup> graders doing Hip Hop unit and history of music that has lead to Hip Hop now, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> learning notes, Kindergarten doing lots of singing, Concerts in Spring,
    - Sing Along December 20<sup>th</sup> with bus from Brown Deer to school, can PTO help fund the bus? Start time 10:30 concert about 45 minutes. Cost approx \$150.
    - Lasansky (Art) - 2 different mural artist came and kids will make a giant mural – show at the University. New director at Hancher bringing back the Hancher art show, Midwest one art show, ESC art show coming back also.
    - Teachers 5<sup>th</sup> year at Wickham – she is at Wickham for 2.5 days and 3 days at Longfellow.
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#### D. DPO Update – Kate –

- mostly talking about folding Hills into Alexander elementary and the things that were done to intergrate those 2 schools
- Foundation had Run for Schools and Dine Out for Education were very successful.
- District is up 100 students, we were down 60 students last year. Trying to figure out where this population is coming from.
- Cell phone policy – clear consistent policy amongst elementary schools, issues with mental health and disruptions with middle and high school.
- Had 6 threats already this year , none founded but total all of last year was 7.
- November meeting – some PTO's come to talk about best practices and what we are doing – November 14<sup>th</sup>
- December meeting – legislative update
- DPO meeting locations rotating and Wickham can host one if we want to do this. Usually 6:30-7pm time 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

#### Old Business

##### A. Volunteer Needs/Updates

- a. Executive Board – VP of Comms needed – ideally someone with social media/communications experience. Need this person in place by this summer
- b. Wickham's Got Talent – WGT was organized by West Theater students but have no volunteers – students could submit any talent approx 3 minutes long
- c. Science Fair – usually in

##### B. Clubs Updates – Chinese club wants to do Spring sign up, Math Club still open for enrollement, Chess Club going well

##### C. Wickham Fall Fun Fair – net income \$5700, expenses \$5700 as projected.

Silent Auction – has a few expenses for renting tables – net \$3400 at silent auction - \$700 more than projected. We had increased revenue with 2 less classes.

##### a. Financial Update

- b. Notes for next year – Had some baskets where older kids at the event writing their friends names and placing fraudulent bids. Went back to 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners and all of
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them bought the baskets. Overall event went well this year. Consider different balloon artists

- D. Homecoming Parade Review – smaller affair especially after fall fun fair. The decorations worked out great. Emily will be retiring from
- E. HyVee Cash 4 Students Collection – Nov 21<sup>st</sup> deadline for first batch of receipts and calculate total for trimester

#### New Business

- A. No Bake, Bake Sale – Golden Delight bakery – dispatch date November 26<sup>th</sup> – Emily will try and call to set this up. We do distribution in entryway 4-6pm – order deadline November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Heartlanders – date in January
- C. End of Year Push Wickham Donation Drive – advertising
- D. November 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at night, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 8-4 – Conferences. Have done potluck for whole day conferences.
- E. Wine tasting – checking with district if this is Ok.
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#### Announcements

#### Adjournment

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#### Upcoming Events:

10/15 – Panera Dine Out Night 4 – 8 p.m.

10/16 – October PTO Meeting 7 p.m.

11/14 - Naomi's Kitchen

11/xx No Bake, Bake Sale Deadline – likely 18th

11/26 – No bake, bake sale distribution.

12/xx – Chick-fil-a Spirit Night

Jan – Wickham's Got Talent – Will only be held if we can identify a volunteer coordinator

1/xx – Heartlanders Game

Feb – Science Fair – Will only be held if we can identify a volunteer coordinator

2/4 – Cookies and Dreams

3/xx - Naomi's Kitchen

April – Taco/Bingo Night

April/May – Freddy's

May – End of Year Picnic/Dunk Tank