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 –

- 1st 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 1st 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 – 4th graders doing recorder, have option to purchase recorder at home.  5th graders doing Hip Hop unit and history of music that has lead to Hip Hop now, 1st and 2nd learning notes, Kindergarten doing lots of singing, Concerts in Spring,
- Sing Along December 20th 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 5th 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 14th
- December meeting – legislative update
- DPO meeting locations rotating and Wickham can host one if we want to do this. Usually 6:30-7pm time 2nd 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 2nd place winners and all of

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 21st deadline for first batch of receipts and calculate total for trimester

New Business

A. No Bake, Bake Sale – Golden Delight bakery – dispatch date November 26th – Emily will try and call to set this up. We do distribution in entryway 4-6pm – order deadline November 18th.

B. Heartlanders – date in January

C. End of Year Push Wickham Donation Drive – advertising

D. November 18th and 20th at night, November 22nd 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