

**Winding Creek Elementary School PTO Meeting
Tuesday, September 9, 2025**

6:30pm

Meeting called to order at 6:31pm

1. Principal's Report – Dr. Runkle, Mrs. Stanford
 - a. PoE competency is shifting into confidence
 - i. Teachers to discuss confidence in the classroom
 1. Breaking the habit of believing you always have to be perfect (Mrs. Oswald, Art Teacher)
 2. Incorporate confidence during morning meeting with greeting each other and sharing–build confidence talking to others (Mrs. Ezard, 1st Grade Teacher)
 - b. A huge thank you to everyone who came to back to school night
 - i. Switched back to two nights, and teachers thought it went well
 - c. Kindergarteners had their nursery olympics
 - d. 2nd grade had pancakes for their culminating celebration completing tall tales
 - e. Had first house assembly and new students received their house assignments
 - f. Title 1 is a federally-funded program based on our socio-economic standing
 - i. During our SOAR time we have specialists who serve children who need supplemental instruction
 - ii. Targeted assistance, identify specific students and provide subsequent instruction
 - iii. CV received close to \$1 million in funding, it is allocated based on student enrollment
 - iv. Both Title II funds and Tuttle IV funds are transferred to Title I for spending
 - v. A letter will go out to all families to let them know we are a Title I school
 1. Specific families will be contacted if their student will receive Title I funding
 2. There will be a faculty meeting
 3. We will host Fall Literacy Night for grades K-2
2. President's Report – Jessica Pescatore
 - a. Currently looking for help from volunteers for School Perks and Military Appreciation Committees
 - b. Looking for corporate sponsors for WPR (Wolf Pack Run)
 - c. Opening on the board for our External Vice President
 - i. Will be accepting nominations until September 30th
 - d. Attending presidents meeting later in September
3. Treasurer's Report – Justin Stryker

- a. Donations coming in
 - i. We have venmo and PayPal; either one is fine to use to donate
 - ii. About half way to our goal; we still have time for donations to come in
- 4. Committee Updates
 - a. Wolf Pack Run – Emily Light
 - i. September 26th, rain date October 3rd
 - ii. Gotten back 400 mailers to send out to families
 - iii. Actively seeking corporate sponsors
 - b. Room Parents – Erica DeAngelis, Hallie Hoffman
 - i. Received sign up sheets from back to school night
 - ii. Two parents will be randomly selected for each class and we will be contacting all room parents by the end of September
 - c. School Perks – Tracey Dukert Martin
 - i. Finalizing dates for Skate Nights
 - ii. October and November Dine and Donate
 - 1. Still taking suggestions for where you like to go to eat as a family to see where to prioritize Dine and Donate
 - d. Hospitality – Katie Stryker, Ripal Bodiwala, Carrie Miller
 - i. Looking to replace the ice machines for the teachers
 - e. Military Appreciation – Lauren Barker
 - i. We put on a military appreciation breakfast which will happen October 17th
 - ii. Looking for volunteers to assist with helping the breakfast run smoothly
 - f. Spirit Wear – Tracey Dukert Martin
 - i. Coordinate the online school store
 - ii. Site is accessible from the school website
 - iii. If you don't see something you'd like to have; please let me know
 - iv. Everything ships free right to your door
- 5. Open Discussion/Questions
 - a. For the next meeting we are looking to have a networking night
 - i. Please come and share your hobbies, and get to know each other a little better
 - b. From an academic standpoint are there any plans to have someone come speak to the students
 - i. 4th and 5th grade have a STEM night and science fair
 - ii. We are wide open in terms of having community members coming in to speak
 - 1. We are always looking for opportunities to broaden the students view
 - c. Please join us for making posters for the WPR
- 6. Upcoming Dates/Announcements

- a. Patriot's Day (wear red, white, and blue) – September 11th
- b. Orange Out – September 19th
- c. Wolf Pack Run – September 26th/Rain date October 3rd
- d. Picture Day – September 30th
- e. No School – October 13th and 20th
- f. PTO meeting – October 14th
- g. Literacy Night (K-2) – October 16th
- h. Pink Out – October 17th
- i. Fall Socials – October 31st

Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm