

# AWE PTO Full Membership Meeting

## April 25th, 2023, 6:30pm

### Welcome and Introductions

Griffin McClure, President

Attendees: Griffin McClure-President, Callie Kontoulas-VP, Hannah Whitley- Treasurer, Katherine Troutman- Secretary, Ashley Westmoreland- AWE Principal, Tiffany Jackson, Marian Taylor, Morgan Kennan, Beth Prezioso, Daniel Flack, Jen Cole, Jessica Reyes, Stacy Warner and some additional members that came after introductions.

### Approval of Agenda

### Financial Report

Hannah Whitley, Treasurer

Current in Bank (5/3/2023)	<b>18,900.27</b>
Last check written for Kindness committee	(100)

### Year in Review

Griffin McClure, President

Fundraisers:		Notes
Movie Night	326.87	(9/23) Profit made only on concession sales.
Fall Festival	3,903.05	(10/14) This was considered a very good profit for this event.
Read-A-Thon	10,677.68	(3/23-4/3)
Spiritwear Sales	1,681.00	(Aug-Sept)
Box tops	108.70	(School YTD)
Spirit nights	1,803.28	(12/16/23, 2/24/23, 4/7/23) Roll-A-Bout was a huge success. Well attended and brought in an east \$700. Suggested we do it quarterly.
Lowes Foods Partnership	55.10	(School YTD)
Amazon Smile	12.12	(School YTD) program ended soon after we became eligible
Cash donation	20.00	(School YTD)
<b>22-23 School Year funds raised to date:</b>		<b>18,567.60</b>

Program Expenses		Notes
Teacher appreciation		
Back to school Breakfast	(559.76)	
Christmas/Holiday Lunch	(645.45)	
SMILE committee support	(1000.00)	
Outdoor Equipment		
New Playground	(20,000.00)	Money donated in conjunction with Impact Alamance and day care funds to purchase new playground and repair lower grades playground
Traffic Cones	(240.00)	
Picnic Tables	(5,198.38)	100 year gift
9-Square in the Air	(752.67)	gym equipment
Classroom Supplies	(4,600.00)	
Christmas Cheer	0	supported 10 kids
Student Programs		
Kindness Trolley	(400)	Moved to student programing as an initiative of the Kindness Ambassadors program
5th grade Haunted Hallway profit	(331.50)	This money was collected during Fall Festival and donated back to 5th grade
STEAM Mykonos profit	(\$320.00)	For 100 year event
Read-A-Thon student prizes	(351.05)	
Other Expenses		
Insurance	(370.00)	

Supplies	(160.52)	
Website & Domain	(671.60)	
<b>School Year program and other expenses to date:</b>	<b>(33,634.67)</b>	

## Website Review

Katherine Troutman, Secretary

New website is up, awepto.org. All but one person present had already created accounts on the website. Reviewed the different integrated calendars: PTO, Alexander Wilsons, ABSS District and community (free and low cost events in the area). The biggest thing to look for moving forward will be online, cashless, sales for event tickets, spirit wear sales, etc. Any and all feedback/ideas is welcome; it helps us create content and know what everyone finds most useful.

### Website Discussion:

- A teacher asked about access to the Staff Favorites form. They started filling it out but weren't able to get back into it. This should be fixed and we asked that they see if it is working better on their end.
- Member asked if we could add a search bar. We are working with the web development team and that should be in their next update. Hopefully we will have that up for the start of school in August.

## By Laws Update and Approval

Griffin McClure, President

The PTO bylaws have undergone almost a complete rewrite, they were sent out prior to the meeting in the weekly school update. Floor opened for discussion. Hearing none, motion made by Daniel Flack for a vote, seconded by Beth Prezioso. The motion carried with all in favor.

## Close Nominations and Elections

Griffin McClure, President

Nominations submitted online prior to the meeting included Katherine Troutman, President; Tiffany Jackson, Vice President; Katrina O'Kelley, Vice President; Marian Taylor, Secretary. No nominations came in for Treasurer. Floor opened for any additional nominations and discussion.

### Discussion:

- If a position is unfilled, the current presiding board can appoint someone to fill the position.
- The VP nominees, Tiffany and Katrina, were contacted and if the membership agrees they are open to co-VP positions.
- If everyone agrees to having co-VPs, Griffin asked for a vote to be called for all nominated individuals to be elected by the membership at the meeting.

Discussion closed, a motion for a vote to elect all nominated individuals made by Griffin McClure, seconded by Hannah Whitley. The motion carried with all in favor.

## Upcoming Dates, 23/24 Ideas, Member Concerns

Griffin McClure, President

- Upcoming: Chick-Fil-A Spirit day: Monday, May 15th, all day at Chick-Fil-A in Mebane. Our school will receive the retail value of all cookie sales.
- Teacher Feedback: The \$100 gift card for teachers at the beginning of the year was very helpful.
- Teacher Feedback: Ms. Keenan, co-chair of the SMILE committee, thanked the PTO for their donation to the committee. It helped cut the cost for staff team building initiatives like cookie decorating and the coffee cart.
- Board feedback: Asked that if the SMILE committee or any other group had a budget request for the 23-24 school year to let us know, that is something that we will be reviewing this summer and submitting for approval by the membership at the Fall meeting. It can be submitted up until that first Fall meeting, but if you already have a request you can go ahead and submit it for consideration.
- Upcoming: Flack reminded everyone that the 100year celebration is less than 2 weeks away. Free breakfast hosted by the pack from 7-9am, accepting donations. Evening event from 5-7pm. There will be a car show, old school carnival games, 4 food trucks, Southeast Alamance working concessions for the football team, STEAM has a decade tour that will be set up in the rooms. They had a lot of stuff donated for used but they are still looking for a few things like a gramophone and IMAC with clear color back. Griffin said he had a phonograph they could use.
- Concern/Question: Question whether there was going to be something like the dance from last year. The PTO board decided that since the 100 year event was taking place, we didn't want to add too much to the calendar or detract from the event.
- 23/24 Idea: Member said at a previous school they attended there was a big father/daughter dance that was very popular. The daughters wore princess dresses. Member indicated there is another school that does a mother/son nerf war but they knew that was something our school couldn't do.
- 23/24 Idea: School groups can claim a month to host an event to raise funds for their club/group. Example: students could pay an extra \$5 to stay after school for 1.5hrs and sign up to participate in a special activity. Funds raised would go to STEAM, running club, etc.

Adjournment