February 2022 Meeting Minutes



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Board members: all present

Staff Member: Mr. Lemmon and Sean Parde

Number in attendance: 11

- In-person meetings will be the 2nd Monday of every month at 5pm (unless it is decided 30 days prior that one is not needed)
- All are welcome to attend
- PTA website is linked off the Facebook page, twitter account and school website
- Joining the PTA (\$5.50 membership fee) is not a requirement to volunteer or attend meetings, if you chose to pay dues you may be a voting member and this will be collected online. See website for more details.
- One does not need to attend every meeting if they decide to join the PTA

Meeting called to order by Nicole 5:02pm.

Introductions

• Went around the room and everyone introduced themselves and shared who their children are.

Updates

Sleds – We're getting \$681.59 back – we may need to hold off on purchasing new sleds until they're available in the Fall

We will be providing teacher snacks Tuesday Feb. 15th

Popcorn Day – January was the 1st month we picked up cost for those that didn't have \$. The total was \$24. Feedback is that teachers liked it and it matches the equity theme in the district. We need volunteers for this Friday February 11th because it's a half day.

We need a new babysitter for the PTA meetings. They get paid \$20/ hr for the hour whether children are there or not.

Principal Report

Each meeting Mr. Lemmon will have a summary of what is coming up at the 'Zoo and thank the people who make it happen

PBIS -

Annual theme is Family

3 Rs – Respectful, Responsible and Ready to Learn

February's root is Compassion and Purple Power (cancer awareness) and its brought to you by 1st grade

West Ottawa raised \$10K from jersey fundraiser this year.

Purple Power – Waukazoo traditionally raises a lot of money. There's a store that sells purple products.

Pride tickets – We're now over 7500. Mr. Lemmon is planning on spending the night on the roof the Thursday before Memorial Day.

Ongoing/Upcoming

2/9: Open House for Montessori program from 9am – 10:30am

2/11: Popcorn Day and ½ day

3/2: Middle school principal visits Waukazoo

3/7: Book Fair starts in the library

3/30: Mike Kesterke will do the author visit and there will be a book order form sent home soon

March is Reading Month and our theme this year will be Superheroes.

There will be 5 dress up days including a make-a-cape day

There will be reading goals that will be grade level dependent.

Thanks you to the PTA for being at the Kinder Showcase. There were 40 sets of parents present.

Park Township and BPW are planning on changing the water mainline in front of the school on Lakewood Blvd. This project is currently set to start March 29th. It's dependent on the weather and how they can plan out the project. There will be a lot of communication with parents when they set a start day. And the section by the school is hoping to be completed by 6/1.

Celebration of Learning will be moved up because of the construction project. It will be on March 22nd from 6-7:30pm. It's an open house style event where students can showcase their work for the year. This year they will also be sharing what they will be working on in their last 9 weeks of school

Teachers Report

Mr. Loughrin said that Waukazoo has the best and most supportive PTA and thank you!

Ms. Kovcs would like to request \$200 to supply the Purple Power store.

Treasurer Report

Savings balance: \$4130.67 Checking balance: \$32,649.90

Teacher reimbursements are coming in.

We're going to pay for the Critter Barn event through the assembly budget line.

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President's Report

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Purple Power – a fundraiser from WO for the Van Andel Institute

Waukazoo's participation is ordering purple shirts, a Wall of Honor where students can purchase a purple ribbon for a loved one affected by cancer for \$1, and a purple store where the students buy purple products and the proceeds go to the Van Andel Institute

Nicole purposed a vote for \$200 to fund the Purple Power store. Kara motioned a vote to provide the \$200 to Purple Power. Liz seconded the vote. The vote was unanimously in favor.

Nicole brought up idea of buying sturdy 30 piece set of sand toys for the Kinder playground to be used after Spring Break. The cost is \$90. Kara motioned the approval of funds from the playground budget line for this purchase. Annie seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

March is Reading Month

Our author visit will be with Mr. Kesterke, former principal for Waukazoo. His book is You Can Do It, Rocket!

The PTA is providing a snack/ breakfast for the staff and author and a lunch for Mr. Kesterke and a group of students (10-12 total). We are also going to purchase and distribute 14 books to the other 7 elementary schools in the district. We have \$1200 budgeted for the event and hope to give Mr. Kesterke a check despite him saying he did not want to accept a fee.

Spring Family Event may need to be revamped considering the upcoming construction project.

Parent Education Nights:

Elise updated about N Holland elementary school hosting one on Feb. 10th with a parent in the mental health field. He will be covering issues like developmental milestones and tough conversations and coping skills.

Birthday books:

Will be purchasing more books soon with money in that category.

Conference meals will be headed up by Amy and Ami again.

Mr. Lemmon requested volunteers for Field Day on June 1st. Each class will have a half day of Field Day so half of the school will be outside at a time. Need volunteers for morning and afternoon shifts.

TTQ and Girls on the run both need volunteer coaches.

Nicole adjourned meeting at 6:07pm.