

## **WREDLING PTO MEETING MINUTES**

### **November 5, 2018**

**Attendees:** Jennifer Gaertner, Lidia Granger, Jennifer Brosnan-Flores, David Jones, Brenda Szerlong, Lisa Ruud, Kristin Louis, Gina Wormley, Michelle Dagne, Kate Bell and Shannon Sullivan

#### **I. Call to Order**

**Jennifer Gaertner**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Jennifer Gaertner.

#### **II. Approval of Minutes**

**Jennifer Gaertner**

Minutes from October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 were approved. Motion by Kristin Louis and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shannon Sullivan.

#### **III. Treasurer's Report**

**David Jones**

Budget was submitted with the following highlights:

- Amazon Smile: \$33
- Check submitted from My Stage: \$17.50
- Papa Nicholas: \$23,385 (Jennifer Gaertner requested the date of when coffee expenses will come in, so that we understand how much will be deducted. It is expected to be about half.)
- Write-a-check: \$9,907
- Portillo's fundraiser: \$207
- PTO Dues: 138.24
- Wredling Wear: \$350.67

#### **IV. President's Report**

**Jennifer Gaertner**

Reminder that December does not have a meeting. Next meeting Monday, January 7, 2018.

#### **V. Vice-President's Report**

**Lidia Granger**

- Lost and found photos have been taken but have not yet been posted to the Facebook Page.
- Redhawks Helping Redhawks:
  - During Parent Teacher Conferences there will be a Giving Tree with Wredling Colors and command strips to be easily put up and removed in the hall by the Gymnasium
  - Tags will be on stars provided by social workers with donation suggestions which consist of a Gift Card and stocking stuffer.

- There was some confusion that perhaps Excel Automotive also has a list of Wredling students/families and we have been sure to share the list Wredling will be using during Parent Teacher Conferences so that it is not duplicated.
- The school will have 120 tags available for donations.
- PTO would like to cover as much as possible any gift cards not picked up by the community.
- Motion by Kate Bell to allocate a max of \$300.00 of \$30 gift cards in the case there are gift cards not selected during Parent Teacher Conferences, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Jones.

## **VI. Teacher/Guest Comments**

Wredling Writes, Wredling's creative writing club joined the PTO as a Special Guest Presentation. Clarisia Barbosa, Senior at St. Charles East and leads the program along with two co-leaders and Mrs. Elizabeth Doland is the teacher sponsor. Wredling Writes has been running for 5 years and has a regular attendance of 18 students.

The Goal of Wredling Writes is to follow the Monomyth. In addition, the club sponsors a St. Charles creative writing open-mic night where the club welcomes students from the area (both public schools and private schools) to share their writing.

Wredling Writes is requesting \$200.00. These funds will go to:

- Club T-Shirts: \$80 – club members would purchase t-shirts at a discounted price of \$10 (actual cost is \$15),
- Writer's Block Craft: \$35 this item is a block that help with writer's block.
- Storyboard Activity: \$35 helps with planning out stories.
- Candy and small prizes: \$20, the club uses this to encourage sharing of stories and or rewarding accomplishments.
- Year Writing Collection: \$30 which will be an end of year printed culmination piece. Any remaining funds will go towards Fiction of the Fox.

## **VII. Principal's Report**

**Michelle Dague, Assistant Principal**

**RULAR Program:**

- Last year was focused on staff so they would be prepared to begin to bring students on board this year which is in the early stages.
- Recently Wredling Students developed a Student Charter, developed by a student survey, that works in conjunction with the Mood Meter. The Mood Meter helps students identify and regulate emotions.
- The Student Charter was sent home in last weeks Friday Forecast.

#### **Alisa's Mission:**

- Alisa's Mission begins with 6<sup>th</sup> grade 11/6/2018 and is in process and wraps up with 8<sup>th</sup> graders the Monday after conferences.
- Many staff members from the district will be present each day Alisa's mission is deployed.
- There are videos and training to go along with Alisa's mission for the students.

#### **Student Data & Conferences:**

- The PLC's (Professional Learning Community) are looking at the data from many different areas and understanding and identifying areas that may need additional support to continue student growth.
- Conferences are right around the corner and the first students are off to a good beginning of the year.

#### **Other Items Discussed:**

Lidia Granger proposed an online reporting option for self-harm. This will be discussed with Mr. Loversky. The school does have a program in place (Gagle) which flags any online activity that might have self-harm wording on school computers.

### **VIII. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Box Tops**

**Danielle Jones**

The next Box Tops shipment to go out will be April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Box Tops are collected and kept on the top of the teacher mailboxes. Families are encouraged to send what ever amount they have so the committee can match up multiple family submissions to form the sheets of 50 before they expire. It is requested to continue to provide direction to families on how to send the Box Tops in due to the elementary schools having different methods of collection.

#### **B. Color Run**

**Kate Bell**

- This years Color Run profited \$5,730.11.
- There were 392 participants (pre-registered) and 55 day of for a total of 440 participants.
- \$75 (10%) from Dave's Slow Food. (It is noted there were concerns about how spicy their food. However, they were great to work with and jumped in at the last minute.)
- Kate Bell suggests budgeting \$2,000 for future years as that is more in line with what has happened in previous years. Kate Bell is working on turning over the program to the new committee next year.
- There was one family that had a problem with the color staining a child's hair, any participants that have light hair should cover their hair.
- Some Wredling feeder schools have expressed interest in having their own Color Run, Kate Bell suggest that if feeder schools were to pursue a Color Run that is should be a combined event in order to keep excitement and participation.
- Kelly Rotella, along with two other volunteers have been identified to run this event for Wredling next year.

**C. Communications**

**Cheryl Greenspan**

- Coming soon a program where the Wredling Community will have a discount of 25% off at Pheasant Run.
- We will be picking up 2 checks from Frankie's: \$100 corporate sponsor and the other is anticipated approximately \$140 from restaurant sales.

**D. District PTO Rep**

**Lori Laraia**

Next meeting November 14, 2018

**E. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration**

**Kristin Louis, Kate Bell, Janit Ramos**

Process of planning details begins toward end of January. Boat trip date is scheduled, and BBQ will be the last day of school.

**F. Lobby Beautification**

**Tiffany Cassata**

Exterior and interior are looking great.

**G. Materials Pick-up**

**Kristin Louis, Brenda Szerlong**

None

**H. MYStage Fundraiser**

**Tonya Ditsworth**

Received check last month

- I. Papa Nicholas & Write-a-Check** **Brenda Szerlong, Debbie Wright**
- Great participation.
  - Coffee is being delivered Monday, November 12, 2018. There are volunteers sorting, boxing and preparing for conferences. For anyone with orders that are not attending conferences, the orders will be held for them.
  - Support our Heroes donations are for local first responders and coffee is donated. It is noted that additional explanation is needed for next year so everyone is clear where the Support our Heroes donations go.
  - Write-a-Check was a success for those families that wanted to support the PTO but did not choose to participate in Papa Nicholas.
  - Still looking for volunteers for Papa Nicholas coffee distribution during Parent Teacher Conferences.
- J. Red Shirt Volunteers** **Aubrey Tripplett**  
No updates
- K. STC Education Foundation** **Kelly Rotella**  
No updates
- L. Staff Appreciation** **Janit Ramos, Justine Detzel**  
Dinner will be provided on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.
- M. Student Recognition** **Shellei Vosburgh**  
Student recognition will take place on November 15<sup>th</sup>, sign-up Genius will be coming this week.
- N. Sponsors** **Cheryl Greenspan**  
No updates
- O. Summer Activities Fair** **Cheryl Greenspan, Jayme Muenz**  
Summer Activities Fair planning is beginning. Promotion to attendees will begin in January. The event will take place February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and PTO meeting that is scheduled for the same date will be moved.
- P. Wredling Wear** **Brenda Szerlong**

- Back-to-school nights were a success.
- To clarify there is a minimum order of 13 items for any one size and type and items that are not stocked item will only be ordered when bulk orders come.
- Feeder schools will have two choices of Wredling Wear T-Shirts.

#### **IX. Old Business**

None

#### **X. New Business**

- Funds request from Brenda Gonzalez of \$400.00 for Activities for Incentives and supplies for their Reading Intervention program. Motion by Kate Bell to approve \$400.00 for Reading Intervention for 6, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kristin Louis.
- Jennifer Garetner called vote regarding allocating \$200 for Wredling Writes. Kristin Louis motions, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kate Bell \$200.00 for Wredling Writes. Passed unanimous.
- Redhawks Helping Redhawk Giving Tree \$300 on reserve in the case needed.

#### **XII. Adjourn**

Jennifer Garertner adjourns meeting 8:41PM