

Minutes of
The West Woods Elementary School PTSA
General Membership Meeting

April 21, 2016

PTSA President Dayna Morain called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

She opened the meeting by letting all in attendance know that there are several positions that are available for next year. (Executive Board Secretary, Milk Caps for Moola Chair, Apparel Chair, Directory Chair and Wolf Tracks Chair)

Jason Smith, WWE Principal- Jason started out by letting all in attendance know that the Talent Show was a huge success and that the kids enjoyed seeing the performers during the assemblies. He went on to state that Pages With the Pack was also successful this year. Jason mentioned that the CMAS testing was almost complete in grades 3-6. He let us all know that Mrs. Turner will not be returning next year. Jason ended by introducing the new WWE principal, Patti Katsampes.

Patti Katsampes, WWE Principal (2016-17 school year)- Patti introduced herself and gave a quick run down of where she has worked in the past and said that she was very excited to start her new position this summer.

Dayna Morain, Executive Board President- There was a motion to approve the incoming board for the 2016-2017 school year. The new board members were approved by the majority. Nancy Pawlick will take over the role of Treasurer half way through next year, and Michalla Elder will take over the 2nd VP position.

Amber Vlcek, 3rd VP- Amber informed the board of current grant requests.

- There is a request from the Mrs. Rousch in 6th grade for more Chromebooks. Her goal is to have a Chromebook for every student as most of their daily work is done on them. She is asking the members to donate \$10,000.00 towards them. Dayna stated that there isn't enough money to do all 10k now but that she would like to offer \$2,400.00 tonight, and possibly \$5,000.00 at the end of the year. Amber brought up the fact that there is, in fact, money to do all Chromebooks if we tapped in to the playground fund. She is adamant that the technology needs need to be met. It is ultimately decided the PTSA will donate \$2400.00 tonight and 50% of the golf tournament proceeds will go to the Chromebooks. The motion is approved by the majority.
- The next grant request is for the last day of school BBQ for the teachers. There is a need for \$300 for a grill rental and food. Haley Hovis told the members that she would donate her grill for that day, saving the PTSA \$150. The motion to donate the remaining \$150.00 was approved by the majority.
- There was also a grant request that came to the board for \$330.00 for an Outdoor Lab scholarship for a student. The family has expressed that they are financially unable to support their child this year. Jason, Patti and Mrs. Rousch all stated that the child will not be excluded because of non payment. Jefferson County will foot the bill for any child that cannot pay. It was decided that this was never a PTSA responsibility and it was taken off the table.
- The last grant request was for the Field Day committee. They have asked the PTSA for money to feed the 95 student volunteers. They are thinking around \$350.00. The committee

will look into donations from a few sub sandwich restaurants, so the entire \$350 may not be necessary. Julie Gabler has already received 1000 free popcicles. The motion to approve the request was made and the majority voted for it.

Kristin Pung, Run With the Wolves committee chair: Kristin came to the meeting tonight to get the PTSA members to approve a new date for the Run With the Wolves 5k in the fall. She would like to change the date from mid September to Sunday, October 16th. Melanie and Michalla moved to approve the new date and it was then approved by the majority.

Haley Hovis, Welcoming Committee Chair: Haley introduced her new co-chair for the 2016-2017 school year, Jennifer Lofland.

Julie Gabler, 1st VP PTSA Executive Board: Julie started out by tanking everyone who helped with the talent show.

- Playground Committee update: Waiting on designs from a few other companies. Julie would like to refurbish in phases, however, we need an approved master plan first.
- Kristy and Julie attended the Jeffco Healthy Kids training. It was very informative.
- Kids came in after school last week and completed surveys about our school.
- There is an idea for another fundraiser for the playground, selling bricks engraved with messages.

Melanie Carpenter, 2nd VP PTSA Executive Board:

- Golf Tournament: Melanie let the members know that Tom Lowland is out selling tickets and should have more participants by the end of the week. She informed everyone that there will be a trick shot golfer and Mrs. Arvada 2016 at the tournament and that it should be a great success.
- Carnival Update: Melanie thinks that we need to talk with teens to help out at the carnival. It was discussed whether or not food at the carnival would be sold for profit. The kids meal costs us \$3.00 and the adult meal costs \$5.00. The idea to charge \$5.00 for kids meal and \$7.00 for adult meals was brought to the table for approval and it was approved by the majority.

Dayna thanked everyone for coming and the meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Prepared by Michalla Elder
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