

MINUTES

Willard PTO

Date | time 4/6/2015 6:40 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Vickie Robertson

In Attendance

Stacey DeNardo, Maria Malone, Vickie Robertson, Ruth Amaio, Marie Geigle, Brenda Wall, Amy Dempsey, Rebecca Spencer, Jessica Brown, Cindy Kobus, Linda Tighe, Jennifer Catalano, Min Fisher, Carrie Fowler, Jen DeGrandi, Stefanie Gagnon, Natalie Hammond, Matt Correia, Urime Precalla, Missy Ferland, Joe Miller, Jackie Dunn, Nicole Pappa, Cyndi Goode, Leah O'Leary

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed from the March meeting and approved.

New Business

Treasure's Report - \$17,594 in checking, \$40,598 in savings

Staff Representation – 2nd Grade: Mrs. Geigle/Mrs. A'maio Hi Tough Hi Tech presentation was last week. Kids enjoyed hands interaction experiments. They requested 2 Brain Pop licenses.

Revised calendar with June 18th as the last day of school.

Jackie Dunn requested an amendment to the bylaws with regards to fifth Grade Committee.

Committee Updates

Cub Scouts – Pack 5 donated new playground equipment for use during recess. The bottle drive was a success. Upcoming events include a Rock Cats game, Sloper weekend, Scout Day at Roger Williams Zoo, summer camp and a sleepover at Battleship Cove in September.

Box Tops – The winning class for the last box top contest will get a picture taken with Rocky and also get to pick a prize.

Board of Ed – Hearing on Thursday is the last chance to voice concerns to the Town Council. Everyone is encouraged to vote. Call or email Cindy Kobus with any questions.

Fundraising Update – Gift card order forms will be sent in an eblast this week. There are two dates to place orders- April 6th through April 20th and May 4th through May 20th.

Bounce U – Monday, April 13th. (10:30 to 12:00) \$10.00 per child.

Stop & Shop – The total collected for this year is \$7,337.19. Cyndi will look into other participating stores for next year.

Lyman Orchard Pies and Otis Spunkmeyer Cookies made \$1,699.13.

Jump Fun-a-Thon - Students can choose to do a physical activity, read or do both. Bonus days are included. The student who collects the most pledges will throw out the first pitch at the Rock Cats Game.

5th Grade Committee – Yearbook meeting will be May 8th. Information about the end-of-year party will be coming out next week. The committee is waiting on more bag samples so a company can be selected for the purchase of draw string bags for the fifth graders.

Pasta Supper – Big success!! \$4,787 was raised; plus \$500 from Kohl's; 50/50 raffle collected \$635 that was split with the winning ticket holder.

Book Fair – \$1,392 profit for the school and \$889 was spent on staff and students. 2015-2016 dates are December 7th through 11th and May 21st through 25th.

Kindergarten Orientation – Wednesday evening from 5:45 to 6:30. Kelly Jakiel will organize refreshments. Please contact her if you would like to bake. Bakers will also needed for 2 dates in May.

Nomination Ballots for PTO officers will go out via eblast and posted on the website.

Principal's Report

Spring Newsletter is online. There is a Town Council Meeting scheduled for Wednesday evening at 7:00 at McGee to discuss the budget letter that went home with regards to budget cuts.

Great year with children's programming. Working on an author visit with a focus on bullying.

Preparing for District Rounds. Other building representatives will be coming to Willard.

Announcements

April 7, 2015: Bill's Pizza Night: Dine in or Take Out (Willard is the highest yielding school)

April 8, 2015: Kindergarten Orientation

April 13, 2015: Bounce U (10:30am. to 12:00pm.)

April 30, 2015: Box Tops Due

May 4, 2015: Rock Cat Ticket Sales Begin for June 5th Game (\$6.00 presale or \$8.00 after presale)

May 4– 8, 2015: Staff Appreciation Week

May 4-20, 2015: Gift Card Fundraiser

May 14, 2015: Talent Show (Music Department will be selling Kiss-a-Grams and 4th grade possibly selling candy and water)

Next Meeting

Monday, May 4, 2015 at 6:30 in the Library Classroom.

Staff Representatives: 4th Grade

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully,

Stacey DeNardo