

MINUTES

Willard PTO

Date | time 1/4/2016 6:34 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Vickie Robertson

In Attendance

Stacey DeNardo, Vickie Robertson, Jen DeGrandi, Joe Miller, Matt Correia, Natalie Hammond, Leah O'Leary, Barbara Pinto, Cyndi Goode, Annmarie Marolda, Robin Evans, Julie Boninsegna, Sherry Rice, Amy Dempsey, Floriania Uliasz, Dagmara Niecikowski, Christine Vale da Serra, Rose Mongillo, Megan Johnson, Pat Welch, Melissa Urrunaga

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed from the January meeting and approved with the following changes: 285 pies were sold for a total profit of \$1,831.36, with an additional profit of \$4,455.17 from Cristoline sales.

New Business

Brain Pop – All teachers would like to use it. Motion to purchase license for the school at \$2,295 was passed.

Staff Representative - Computer Science – Mr. Clapp – Thanked the PTO for all they do. Every class has had one hour of coding (programming). They are continuing from last year with the programming of robots.

Treasure's Report: checking: \$29,578 savings: \$34,036

Committee Updates

Cub Scouts: Pinewood Derby workshop to be held at a cabinet shop in New Britain. Pack 5 will be attending a Wolf Pack game later this month and having a sleepover at the Peabody Museum. Weeblos II scouts are exploring Boy Scout Troops to advance to. Blue and Gold Dinner will be held in March.

Stop & Shop: 642 cards enrolled, 8 were lost. A total of \$2,958 has been earned through the program so far. December through March is left for this school year.

Price Chopper: 44 cards have been registered. A total of 1,237 points have been earned.

Box Tops: A check for \$1,063 has been received. Over 10,000 Box Tops have been collected, including some from last year. 6,000 are being mailed tomorrow. Over 7,000 labels have been mailed and 1,000 free points received. Miss Sweeney's class won the last contest with over 1,600 Box Tops.

Membership – Membership dues continue to trickle in, including free membership with a \$100 unfundraiser donation. 72 families, 42 staff and 2 part time staff have joined the PTO.

Unfundraiser - \$2, 123 collected with 33 families participating.

Fundraising: Holiday Shop – Went very well. Students were excited and most participated.

Mixed Bags – Will be the next fundraiser. Someone to head this fundraiser is needed. If you are interested please contact Vickie.

5th Grade Committee: 5th Grade Party - In the past the party was minimal and held at the school. Other schools do off-site parties. Two places are being considered for the party this year. Mountain Mist in Meriden, would be \$20 per student including food and \$24 with buses. The Farmington Club in Farmington would be \$27 per student plus the cost of buses. Year Book – Committee is still collecting photos.

Book Fair: Was very successful this fall.. \$9,001.53 for approximately a \$2,000 increase over last year.

Gift Cards - \$402.18 profit. \$85 donations.

Spirit Wear – Order forms went home today. American Embroidery samples are in the display case by the gym.

Family Bingo Night – Will be held on Friday, March 4th at 6:30 in the cafeteria. Refreshments will be served, but pizza will not be sold. The event will be free to those with a PTO Family Membership and \$2 per person without a Family Membership. Volunteers are needed the evening of the event. A notice will be sent home the beginning of February.

Winter Carnival – Jen is looking for someone to organize the event. Please contact her if you are interested.

Principal's Report

The Berlin High School Capstone project is coming up. Matt and Natalie had time to work with seniors. Thank you to the PTO for the cultural presentation, he was fabulous. Teachers and students loved the performer. Also, thank you for the field trips, teachers appreciate them. Everyone is excited to be back for the new year, thanks for the support.

Announcements

February – Mixed Bags

March 4th – Family Bingo Night

March 24th – Pasta Supper

Winter Carnival

Next Meeting

February 4, 2016

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:23pm.

Respectfully,

Stacey DeNardo