

MINUTES

Willard PTO

Date | time 5/4/2015 6:40 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Vickie Robertson

In Attendance

Stacey DeNardo, Vickie Robertson, Maria Malone, Joe Miller, Matt Correia, Natalie Hammond, Jaymee Miller, Michelle Wendehack, Allison Sweeney, Kaitlin Fritsch, Meaghan McCandless, Rebecca Spencer, Stefanie Gagnon, Linda Tighe, Amy Dempsey, Cindy Kobus, Tricia Modifica, Brenda Wall, Sara Braun, Alisa Uba, Jennifer DeGrandi, Cyndi Goode, Nicole Pappa, Carrie Dalek, Kelly Jakiel, Missy Ferland

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed from the April meeting and approved.

Election of Officers

Election for Vice President was taken. Jen DeGrandi was elected as PTO Vice President for 2015-2016 school year.

Old Business

Jackie Dunn requested amendment to bylaws for 5th grade committee re: 5th grade funds. Decision: Superintendent Discretion - 5th grade funds must remain under PTO. Mr. Correia explained all elementary schools must be uniform level. Griswold and Hubbard schools have 5th grade funds under PTO. Also, for legal reasons 5th grade funds cannot be included in the activity fund.

Concerns about 5th grade dues and how the money is being spent were addressed. The committee was reminded about the policies and procedures handed out to committees at the beginning of the school year and asked to follow the procedures for payment requests.

New Business

Staff Representatives: 4th Grade – Fourth graders are reading about and researching the Revolutionary War. Projects including timelines and journal entries are used to demonstrate student learning. Fourth graders have also completed persuasive, personal and expect topic writing units. They have made leaps and bounds with typing and keyboarding this year.

By-Laws were presented and will be voted on at June 1st meeting

Treasure's Report: checking: \$12,550 savings: \$40,600

Committee Updates

Cub Scouts: Attending Rock Cats game on May 2nd; Donated equipment will be delivered on May 7th; Scheduled to march in the Memorial Day Parade on May 25th. They are looking forward to their outing at Camp Sloper and summer camp in July.

Stop & Shop: Cyndi Goode reported we raised \$7,800; Price Chopper starts July 1st; Big Y not doing it..

Box Tops: \$1,136.10 received. The winning class of the last box top contest will get a group picture with Rocky from the Rock Cats.

Board of Ed. Update: Go out and vote

Gift Cards: Gift cards are back for a limited time. Orders placed between May 4th- 20th are scheduled for May 27th delivery.

Jump Fun-A-Thon: Fundraiser that was held April 6th – 19th was a success. The net profit was \$1,375.68. We collected \$1,452.00 and expenses were \$76.32. Prize winners will be announced at school.

Rock Cats: Ticket sales start today, May 4th. Orders are due back by May 22nd. Advance tickets are \$6 and \$8 at the door.

Bill's Pizza Night: We raised \$215.00 and was a big success.

Staff Appreciation Week: Schedule: Monday: Soup & Bread; Tuesday: Acoustic Poem; Wednesday: Breakfast; Thursday: Hand-made decorated cookies; Friday: Principal lunch provided by Matt & Natalie

5th Grade Yearbook: finishing this week

5th Grade Year End Party: scheduled for June 16th; rain date is June 17th

Kindergarten Welcome: May 12th 4:00 – 7:00 pm; May 13th 4:00 – 6:00 pm; tables will be set up for cub scouts, girl scouts, PTO, Stop & Shop/Price Chopper, and Box Tops.

Jaymee Miller: Social Services has over 300 families in need. Social Services is offering a FREE after school program for 4th and 5th grade students called "When I'm In Charge". It will take place on June 1st with hopes for another one in the fall.

4th Grade Concessions: 4th grade parents are asked to use sign-up genius.

Principal's Report

Principle Update: Mr. Dunn, 5th grade teacher, is retiring. Kindergarten welcome scheduled for May 12 & 13. Bravos will be announced on May 11th.

Announcements

May 4 - 22, 2015: Rock Cat Ticket Sales

May 4 - 8, 2015: Staff Appreciation Week

May 4 - 20, 2015: Gift Card Fundraiser (Father's Day/Graduation/Teacher Gifts)

May 12 & 13, 2015: Kindergarten Welcome

May 14, 2015: Talent Show

May 20, 2015: Choral Concert/Dare Graduation

May 27, 2015: 4th & 5th Grade Band Concert

June 1, 2015: 2015-2016 Budget Review and Vote

June 2, 2015: Publishing/Art Show

June 5, 2015: Willard Night Rock Cats Game

June 10, 2015: Volunteer Breakfast

Next Meeting

Monday, June 1st at 6:30 in the Art room

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:02 p.m.

Stacey DeNardo