## **November 15, 2022 Willard PTO Minutes**

## 24 Members in Attendance

- Welcome and Approval of last meeting minutes
- Principal's Report with Megan Sirois
  - Successful Events: Book Fair, Pumpkin Painting, Trek-N-Treat
  - American Education Week 11/14-11/18
  - Math specialists are putting on workshop 11/16 "Building Blocks"
  - o Mrs. Despres:
    - Parent-Teacher Conferences: Canyon Creek is closed but parents can still schedule a conference
    - Wall of Heroes highlights Veterans in our community
  - December Calendar Event is being planned and updated
- Correspondence: Thank you note from Vicki Mainetti for classroom books and Jaymee Miller for donation to Town of Berlin Food Pantry
- Treasurer's Report

Balance as of October: \$52,475

Checking: \$15,210Savings: \$37,265

\$13,777.06 spent YTD

- New Business
  - BLAST Staff: Expressed gratitude for PTO accommodating students at Book Fair and explained the BLAST program and the benefits for students in program and all students at Willard
  - Old Business
    - Volunteer spots have been filled but please reach out
    - Lyman Pie Pick up 3:25-6:00
    - Holiday Shop is coming up in December 12/12-12/14: Sign up Genius is being sent out to Room Parents and also will be sent out to all Families
    - Trek-N-Treat: Megan Pelloth
      - Special thanks to Toni Lanteri, Danielle Angelillo, Lindsay Jesshop, Tony Petracca, Angela Michalek and Melissa Costa in the office, School Custodians, PTO Executive Board Members, John, the Upbeat volunteer, and the Trek stop hosts including many teachers!!
      - Line management and safety are the goals for next year
      - \$700 profit and about 10 new members

- Prizes donated
- Scholastic Book Fair: Caty Gombotz
- Over 10,000 in sales
- First year that Scholastic charged tax, so that added some complications, used scholastic bucks to help pay for the extra
- New Business
  - December
    - CCMC Pajama Day 12/9 pay 1\$ towards CCMC charity for participation
    - Uncle D's Restaurant Night Thursday 12/15 6am-2:30
    - Holiday Shoppe 12/12-12/14
  - January
    - Uconn Basketball
    - Family Night: Winter Wonderland Dance
    - Joey B's Wednesday 1/25 10am-3pm
    - Possible Fundraiser: Penny Wars
  - February
    - Uconn Basketball
    - 2/20 Butter Braid Fundraiser
    - 2/27-3/3 Read-a-thon
    - The Ave Restaurant Night date TBD
  - March
    - Mental Health Month (possible calendar activity including yoga, positive affirmations, community clean up ideas)
    - Pillow Glow Party (Nicki)
    - 3/13 Return Butter Braid Form
    - 3/31 Wolfpack Game 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus Event
  - April
    - Butter Braid pick up
  - May
    - TBD
  - June
    - Family Movie Night
- New Business (continued)
  - Spiritwear coming home 11/16 needs to come back 11/21
  - The new PTO email is: <a href="mailto:emmahartwillardpto@gmail.com">emmahartwillardpto@gmail.com</a>
  - Please email the new PTO email with any ideas for "Mental Health Calendar" in March

- December PTO canceled due to the extra time spent tonight to plan future events
- February PTO meeting has been moved to 2/7 (was previously scheduled for 2/14)
- Sage Energy Drinks Restaurant Night 11/18 all Day 7am-5pm