

# **PTO General Membership Meeting**

AG Wright Middle School

October 5, 2022 7:00pm

# **Board Member Attendees**

Tasha Burzynski, President Brittany Spears, Vice President Becky Mulder, Treasurer Jennifer Murdock, Secretary

# **Meeting Called to Order**

Minutes approved for prior meeting

No old business brought forth from prior meeting

# **Agenda**

#### 1) Treasurer's Report

Fundraiser Final Proceeds: \$19,179.50 Account Balance \$23,777.60 Treasurer's Report attached

## 2) Staff Appreciation

Report provided by Kate Shifflet, chair, via email and read (absent)

We will provide pizza and salad for dinner on Monday, October 10th, during Teacher Conferences. If anyone would like to help staff at 4:15pm please let me know. Kate.c.shifflett@gmail.com

We're excited to show our gratitude on November 17th with staff Thanksgiving Dinner and Pie Day on November 21st. We will send out a Sign Up Genius to ask for a contribution of pies for all staff. If you are interested in helping November 21st to package and deliver pies, please let Kate know. We will also help run the lunch for the staff behind the scenes on November 17th. A sign up for that event will be sent out soon.

# **School Representative Attendees**

Carly Hegna, Principal

We will host a Staff Appreciation committee meeting before the end of the month to plan final details for November and discuss fun ideas for December. If you are interested in joining, please email Kate.c.shifflett@gmail.com

- It was determined by Carly Hegna, principal, the office staff will set up and clean up the Teacher Conference meal on October 10, 2022.
- It was decided to add link to donate money in lieu of pie on Sign Up Genius

# 3) Tiger Bites

Will not buy any more Gatorade and purchase Kool Aid Jammers
Will purchase popcorn, Taki Slim Jims (sale price \$2/ea), seasonal items

#### 4) Dances

October 13th (6th grade), October 14th (7th grade), October 28th (8th grade)
Need to order glow rings/other items to sale
Large food item sold will be pizza or hot dogs
Still need additional volunteers for 7th grade dance

# 5) Spirit Wear

Discussed the online store with new merchandise that was presented

Determined will send the online link out to staff only, not student body

Will add a link on school website to purchase the current spirit wear

Kristin Patton indicated she knows vendors to approach for

needed items

### 6) Honors Cafe

Tasha Burzynski will look into beads to purchase (school colors)

Mrs. Hegna will determine date (week of October 17th) and number of students participating

Sign Up Genius to be generated for volunteers: 6 per block

Jennifer Murdock will purchase the snacks/candy bars

# 7) Staff Fund Requests

Laura Pataki, 6th Grade Computer teacher Request: \$58.20

Supplies: Ice cream party

Approved: Yes

Sarah Layton, 8th Grade Math teacher Request: \$165.54

Mexican restaurant set up to calculate tips and purchases

Supplies: Drinks, queso dip, chips, table cloths

Approved: Yes

# 8) Fall Fundraiser

Final profit: \$19,179.50

"Day of Awesomeness": October 24, 2022 (Rain date October 28, 2022)

Students will attend in one hour shifts during electives

Mrs. Hegna will send out Sign Up Genius for parent volunteers to man

inflatables

# 9) Principals Report

New tables for student courtyard

Mrs. Hegna will send link for tables to PTO board for review

Cost of six tables will be calculated

#### 10) New Business

#### **Bylaws**

Motions were presented and passed to amend the current Bylaws

<u>Motion by Becky Mulder to add:</u> Co-positions for all board member positions, add Co-Secretary

Amend with new terminology: "The officers of this organization shall be a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. When deemed necessary by a majority vote of PTO members, Co-President, Co-Vice President, Co-Treasurers and Co-Secretaries shall be appointed in lieu of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. "

<u>Vote:</u> Yes <u>Approved:</u> Yes

Motion by Becky Mulder to add: Board Member at Large

Amend with new terminology: "When deemed necessary by a majority vote of PTO members a Board Member at Large shall be appointed."

<u>Vote:</u> Yes <u>Approved:</u> Yes

 A discussion was held regarding PTO board appointment vs. election by general membership. The current Bylaws under Article V, item 3 indicate there is an Executive Vice President, who is the Principal of AGWMS, is an ad hoc member of the Executive Committee. The PTO board members are appointed by the Executive Vice President.

It was brought forth by a member of the existing board the PTO board needs to be elected and not appointed. During this discussion another member of the PTO board agreed and did not like this wording in the existing Bylaws. Reasons brought forth to amend pointed out as a 501(c)(3) the PTO should function independently of the school, not as a committee, to allow the general membership to vote in and decide their board officers and to allow the PTO board to be self governing in nature.

The Principal, Carly Hegna, indicated she felt there needs to be some level of administrative input in the event any issues arise that are not in the best interest of the school. In the event a problem occurs it ensures the entire PTO organization doesn't have to be closed down. It was discussed as this situation occurred at another school within the county previously.

Discussion regarding elected vs. appointed PTO board will be continued at the next meeting.

# 11) New Board Members

Kristin Patton was added as Co-Secretary
Nicole Gioia was added as Board Member at Large

#### 12) Next Meeting

November 2, 2022 at 7:00pm

# **Meeting Concluded**