

Willard PTG Meeting

November 15, 2021

Attendance

Liz Colgan, Jamie Ring, Robin Baughman, Colleen Currier, Bethany Renner, Susannah Benner, Janet King, Yumi Suarez, Tracy DeTora, Amy Casher, KC Camp, Emily Lines

Presidents' Welcome and Recap - Liz Colgan / Robin Baughman

Meeting called to order at 9:35am. Several school community activities coming together: Spring Fling and International Fest being planned for outdoors as of now with dates TBC. 5th grade committee working on 5th grade school year activities. Don't have anyone to run the Talent Show- looking for a volunteer or two to help out with a Spring show. Will see about possibly holding PTG meetings at the school in person now that adults are allowed to meet when students not in the building (would apply to evening meetings).

Principal and Teacher Update

Mr. Lucey unable to attend this meeting.

PTG Committee Updates

Staff Appreciation - Karisa Lorenz

This Friday, a travelling barista is coming to make special coffees for teachers. Holiday gift-giving being planned now.

Treasurer's Report -Collen Currier

Annual appeal still coming in. Book fair was a success, directories continue to be purchased and orders to date have us ahead of budget. School supplies order profits have come in. Teachers are submitting reimbursements on an ongoing basis Tax return in process to be filed this month.

Question was raised about potential for lowering cost of the school directory.



Inconsistency amongst schools in the district re: being given for free, charging a lower price. Discussion was raised about perhaps next year considering reduced cost/free options for the directory.

Annual Appeal - Yumi Suarez

To date have raised close to \$22,000 in annual appeal. Exceeded number of donors from this time last year but behind in amount donated per contribution. Looking at ways to increase awareness with a flier and also a giving Tuesday email will come out from Mr. Lucey. Discussion about ways to help increase participation in this year (and future) appeals.

Fundraising - Susannah Benner

Auction is being postponed to December. Well rounded selection of items will be available. Minted and Shutterfly promotions are running. Will work on a flier to go out in early December with this information for families.

Book Fair -Jamie Ring

We had 115 orders and raised a total of \$1121.60. Profits have been used to purchase wish list books for teachers and school library books. Anyone who hasn't received their order or has questions about their order please reach out to Jamie Ring or Darcy Heintz-Perkins. Idea that maybe next year we can have both a virtual and in person option since some parents really enjoyed the virtual option to shop.

Charity and Service - Janet King

Please share any ideas with charity@willardptg.org

5th grade food drive week of 11/15-fliers came home with students and collection is ongoing. Open table will be presenting to students to explain their work in the community. Several hundred pounds of candy were donated from the Halloween candy donation event (going to both troops and veterans). Coat drive ongoing-adults and children coats are welcome. In December, Council on Aging will be doing a takeout dinner and have asked that students provide handwritten



fortunes to accompany the meals. Activities for 2022 are well underway – stay tuned for more information.

General Membership Questions/Comments None

Meeting adjourned at 10:20am