Wheatland Elementary PTO Meeting minutes March 26, 2019

Present: Adelyn Soellner, Phoebe McCormick, Amy Williams, Erika Birk, Rachel Davison, Sheila Kinkelaar, Julie Scott, Linda Westhafer

The meeting was called to order by President, Amy Williams, at 7:01. The February minutes were emailed out for corrections / approval and have been posted to the schools website.

Principals Report: (Mrs. Soellner)

• Rachel McClaran has been hired as the new principal for Wheatland. On Thursday there will be a meet and greet with her for the staff. As of now, all open positions we had have been filled. They have also been working on part of the state accreditation concerning the vision for family engagement as well as how to best speak with families. This will continue into next year.

Teachers Report: (Phoebe McCormick)

• Thank you for the boxtop pizza party her class won.

Treasurers Report: (Rachel Davison)

• Updated reports were passed around. There will be a few corrections but most items are all up to date. We have had fewer expenses on field trips this year as there was not as much money needed to pay for busses. There may still be a request coming from 3rd grade for Tanganyika.

Old Business:

• Conferences were completed and meal done.

New Business:

- Yearbook: Rachel has 1 page left to submit and it will be completed. Sales are down this year, possibly due to not having 4th grade. It was decided to extend the ordering deadline until 4/5. Online will no longer be an option but payment can be sent in. We will also have some extras included in the order. Rachel said next year we might consider paying for students yearbooks or possibly subsidizing them again.
- Chocolate Sales: This fundraiser will kick off on 4/4 with an assembly in the gym in the morning. The chocolate will be distributed that day. A letter explaining the fundraiser will be going home and that has the form kids need to return to checkout chocolate. Sales wrap up on the 23rd with all \$ due by 26th. If help is needed to collect and count money or distribute chocolate Erika will let us know. Boxes contain 60 bars that sell for \$1.00. Once checked out students must pay the \$60.00 and cannot return any unsold. We get 50% profit of sales to go towards swings.
- Field Day Support: Mrs. Soellner will meet with Mr. Thompson and let us know what, if any, help he will be needing.
- Wheatland Shirts: The 1st round of "Here at Wheatland" shirts were done 2 years ago. Mrs. Soellner has had so much positive feedback on them and as two years have passed many have outgrown them. She would like to do them again. Last time PTO helped pay for half of the cost. She plans to discuss this with Rachel McClaran and see if she would also like to do them and if so what colors / designs she might like. As a PTO we can keep this in mind to see if we would again be able to pay for half of the cost. Last time we paid around \$1400.00.
- State Assessment Support: In prior years PTO has always bought water / snacks for students taking the tests. Last year we spent around \$500.00. This year we will only have 3rd grade so the expense should be less. Sheila moved to spend up to \$250.00 for this and Rachel 2nd. All approved. Amy will check with Mrs. Venning to get a solid headcount.

Open Forum:

• The Authors tea for 3rd grade will be on May 9th. PTO normally pays for cookies ordered through food service for this event. Mrs. Soellner moved we spend up to \$125.00 as in the past and it was approved. Amy will let Mrs. Venning know so they can get ordered.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35

The next meeting will be April 30th at 7:00 in the library.