

AGENDA

WATSON PTO MEETING November 14, 2017—3pm Library

WATSON PTO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Leah Denson - President
Kim Marksteiner— Vice President
Karyn Coleman – Co-Treasurer
Nicole Kirincic—Co-Treasurer
Meredith Bickell – Co-Secretary
Laura Tressel— Co-Secretary



Next Meeting – January 9, 2017 3pm Library

1	Meeting Called to Order	Leah Denson
2	Pledge of Allegiance	Mrs. Lavin
3	Welcome to Watson Parents and Staff	Leah Denson
4	Treasurer's Report and October Meeting Minutes—ACTION NEEDED	Karyn Coleman Meredith Bickell
5	Teacher Liaison Report • Anti-Bully Week—Mrs. Claesgens	Mrs. Claesgens Mrs. Pishkur Ms. Yelich
6	<p>OLD BUSINESS Scholastic Book Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair was held October 9-13 • Teacher Preview was Friday, October 6, 2017 from 2-3:30pm or Monday, October 9 from 7:30am. • Students shopped during their scheduled Library time. • Family Night/Grandparents Night was held Wednesday, October 11th—5:30-7:30pm. • Teachers organized games and activities per room. • PTO hosted a western themed Do It Yourself Photo Booth. • The Watson Library receives all the proceeds from the Book Fair. We raised \$2,850.99. <p>Watson Night Out at Texas Roadhouse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watson Night Out at Texas Roadhouse was held Tuesday, October 17th, 2017 from 4-10 pm • Watson receives 10% of all purchases from families who came and presented their flyer. • PTO made \$150 from this event. <p>Pumpkin Decorating Contest –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pumpkin Decorating Contest was held October 18-20th, 2017. • There were five (5) categories: Animal, Book Character, Cartoon Character, Watson Staff Member Look-A-Like, and Miscellaneous. • The winning entries were each awarded a \$25.00 Target Gift Card. • The pumpkins were on display in the hallway outside of the main office. • Voting by all students and staff took place October 19th & 20th. PTO was not allowed to vote. • The winning pumpkins: Animal—Kendall Junkin (deer) Book Character—Grace Marksteiner (Pigeon Wants a Pumpkin) Cartoon Character—Nico Rivera (Tow Mater) Watson Staff Member Look-A-Like—Bella Denson (Mrs.Talaber) Miscellaneous—Alaina Ohlenkamp (Dunkin Pnkin Donuts) <p>Fall Fundraiser with Kleinmann—Cookie Dough, wrapping paper, kitchen items, jewelry catalog</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kick off—October 23rd. • Similar to last year's fall fundraiser. All items will arrive in time for Holiday gifting, probably 1st week in December. An exact date will be sent to parents as soon as we receive it. • Orders were due November 7th. • Watson makes 45% off of the Holiday catalog, 40% off of Otis Spunkmeyer and 40% off the Family Delights catalog. 	Kim Marksteiner

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates for product deliver, Game Truck, the silly stringing of Mrs. Lavin, and limo lunch TBA. <p>Boo Bash</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Halloween Dance party for the whole family was held Friday, October 20, 2017 from 6:30-8:30pm Cost: \$5 per family includes trick or treat bag, Nut free trick-or-treating inside Watson, DJ, photo booth and costume contest. Our three night custodians: Delores, Mary and Stana were the judges. Costume contest categories were: Most Original, Best All Around, Funniest, Cutest, and Spookiest. Each winner received a ribbon and gift bag including a \$10 AMC gift card. A big thank you to our Co-Chair Becki Murphy, our event sponsor Wilkens Food Distribution, and all the parents on the Boo Bash team for all their hard work! An additional thank you to all the staff for their participation—many stayed late and dressed up to hand out candy. We could not have done this event without you! It meant so much to the families to have you there! PTO raised \$408 from this event. 	
7	<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p>Attendance Awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance certificates will be awarded to every student with perfect attendance each semester. This semester will be a “Kids eat free” gift certificate to Tyler’s Tender. Awards will be distributed after the second quarter ends December 22nd. <p>All-School Reward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the end of each quarter students will receive a non-food treat to celebrate their accomplishments. This way all children, regardless of allergies will be able to partake. This quarter’s reward is five tickets to our Holiday Carnival December 1, 2017. Due to the nature of the gift, students will receive their end-of-quarter reward upon returning from Thanksgiving Break. <p>Holiday Carnival</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark your calendars for Friday, December 1, 2017—5:30-8:30pm for our 2017 Holiday Carnival. Planning meetings were held Monday, October 9th at 6pm at Michel’s Sports Eatery in St. John and October 30th at Houlihans. The Carnival will feature 16 Games, 2 Crafts, Face Painting, Balloon Twisting, Live Entertainment form LC Choir, Grimmer Bells and our very own 3rd Grade Choir. Pictures with Santa by Tom Kiloran Photography--\$10 for a 5x7 printed on site in a portfolio. Ornaments \$7 and also available for purchase. Cash only. Special Tye-Dye Shirt activity by preorder only flyer will be going home. Food will be provided by PTO and some additional vendors—Cash or ticket. We need Volunteers! Invitations and tickets will go home the week of Nov. 13th. Pre-sale ticket prices 10 tickets for \$4 or 20 tickets for \$8. Prices at the door: .50 cents a ticket. Games will cost 1, 2, or 3 tickets. New this year is you will be able to buy food with tickets. Staff involvement requested! Sign-up sheet is located in the Staff Lounge to help run games. Please sign up for a shift or two! Shifts on Friday, December 1, 2017: 5-7:15 or 7-9. We also need help decorating on Nov. 30th after school. Dinner provided on Thursday for all volunteers. Next snowflake building meeting, Thursday, Nov. 16th @ Shay Morey’s house. Please email Holly Furdo hollyfurdo@yahoo.com if you can 	Leah Denson

attend. Thank you to all the parents who came Nov. 7th for our first snowflake building meeting. We were able to complete 55. And thank you to the Morey's for hosting!

Myzsak Fundraiser—ACTION REQUIRED

- We would like to come together as a Watson Family to raise funds for the Myzsak family.
- Their eldest daughter Amayah had a tragic burn accident over Fall Break. Amayah is a Watson Alumni and her two younger sisters attend Watson.

Balls for the Playground—ACTION REQUIRED

- Watson is in need of recess balls. They currently have eight balls (plus two spare basketballs) most of them need to be replaced. They would like five rubber balls, five soccer balls and two basketballs.

Santa Shop

- Will be held December 13-15th in the paper room.
- PTO is going through Penguin Patch and purchasing additional items as well.
- A big thank you to Candi Witry and Sara Kroncke for helping stock our shop with additional fun and affordable items.
- Santa Shop is not only a wonderful experience for students to shop for their families and go home with wrapped items to gift to others, but it is also a fundraiser.
- Items will be marked marginally higher to make a small profit. We will need volunteers to help set up, work the shop, and “wrap” gifts. A sign-up genius will be going out.
- In addition there will be a separate room for younger students without money to shop to hang out in and color holiday sheets.
- Teachers will be able to sign up for slots to bring their class. Sign-up sheet will be located in the teacher lounge. First come, first serve.

Family Night Out in February—February 8, 2017—6pm

- Smarty Pants—The Mousetrap Machine Show is a STEM oriented, educational entertainment show that gets the audience involved.
- Marty will be coming and doing 3 presentations on February 8th. Two shows will take place during the day including one for grades PreK-2 and then a more advanced show for Grades 3 & 4. In addition, he will be presenting a completely different show for the entire family at 6:00pm.
- This is paid for entirely by the PTO and is free to all Watson families.

8	<p>STAFF REQUESTS AND RECENT EXPENDITURES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No staff member submitted forms for reimbursement. • Recent Expenditures— Boo Bash--\$121.61 Box Tops--\$13. 94 Santa Shop--\$81.30 Pumpkin Decorating Contest--\$153.23 	Nicole Kirincic
9	<p>UPCOMING PTO EVENTS</p> <p>2nd Quarter All School Reward— November 30th—Tickets to the Holiday Carnival</p> <p>December 1, 2017— Holiday Carnival—5:30-8:30pm</p> <p>December 13-15—Santa Shop</p>	Meredith Bickell

	<p>December 21 Holiday Party—Starts at 1:30pm. Volunteers will be allowed back at 1:15pm.</p> <p>December 22-January 5th Winter Break</p> <p>January 8 First day back after Break</p> <p>January 9, 2018 PTO meeting 3pm—Library Childcare provided.</p> <p>January 22-26, 2018 Dollars for Scholars—Penny Wars</p>	
10	Parent and Teacher Comments	Laura Tressel
11	Adjourn Meeting – ACTION REQUIRED	Leah Denson