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| WATSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO |
| Public Meeting Minutes |

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| DATE: | November 13, 2023 (Monday) | TIME: | 3:04pm | MEETING CALLED BY: | Carissa Bell |
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| PTO BOARD/STAFF IN ATTENDANCE | | | |
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| Carissa Bell <i>President</i> | Carla Pyle <i>Treasurer</i> | Ron Ortega <i>Finance Committee Chair</i> | Becki Murphy <i>Special Events Committee Chair</i> |
| | Jill Skehan <i>Administrative Committee Chair</i> | Kim Yelich <i>Teacher Liaison</i> | Gretchen Pishkur <i>Teacher Liaison</i> |

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| Pledge of Allegiance | Lead by: Carissa Bell Recited by: Meeting Audience | n/a |
| Review of Previous Minutes | President: Carissa Bell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PTO Meeting Minutes posted on school website for review Need approval for last meeting minutes Meeting minutes for 9/11/23: https://watson.lcsc.us/wp-content/uploads/sites/21/2023/11/PTO_Minute_9_11_23.pdf | Motion to Approve: Gretchen Pishkur 2nd the Motion: Travis Thurn |
| Treasurer's report | Treasurer: Carla Pyle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income to date: \$28, 839.93 Expenses to date: \$24, 008.79 Staff Reimbursement: \$1,035.40 Recent events report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wildcat Walk: Net Gain \$13, 810.80 Trunk or Treat: Net Gain \$1,984.28 (goal was \$2,000) Budget on track to date | |
| Teacher Liaison Report | Teacher Liaison: Gretchen Pishkur <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trunk or Treat went well! Nice to see all grades represented | |
| Santa Shop | Carissa Bell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Week of December 4-8 | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In need of volunteers! Need help with pricing items, setting up items, and during the week of shopping ● KG and 1st grade will need most help with shopping and budgeting ● Mrs. Lavin will provide a list of shopping times so parents will know when their student shops. Scheduled times will be Monday-Thursday; Friday open for absentees or students who forgot to bring in money during assigned shopping time ● Will be held in the cafeteria this year; more space for wrapping and check out which should help with timing of shopping ● 2 Point of Sales- Holiday Treasures and items we've purchased. Holiday Treasures items typically more expensive ● Helpful if parents indicate on envelope names of who the items are for (ex. Sister Susie, Brother Johnny) ● This is not considered a fundraiser, as we expect to break even on costs ● Flier and Holiday Treasures envelopes to go out at the end of this week or early next week ● Please indicate if the student is or isn't to buy for themselves ● No change from checks will be issued ● Sign up Genius will also go out for different volunteer needs | |
| Winter Break Countdown | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dress up days during all of December ● PTO will work with admin to provide Hot Chocolate Cart again-any donations gladly accepted! Date TBD | |
| November NWIMAA Fundraiser | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NWIMAA has offered to donate the fee of any new enrollment right back to Watson PTO. That would be \$69 for each new enrollee. ● Fundraiser will run all of November...makes for a great gift! | |
| December MaryKay Fundraiser | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Online Fundraiser in December; a link to shop will be posted on Facebook and a QR code will be sent home on a flier ● Can nominate a teacher for makeover and pampering gift set | |
| Stracks Receipts Reminder | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reminder that we're collecting Strack and Van Til receipts for our Apples for Students fundraiser. ● Chairperson – Amy Alder Thank you Amy! ● She will be counting every Strack & Van Til receipt. She may ask for help throughout the year ● This fundraiser is throughout the entire school year almost (September – March) ● Those dollars turn into points and we're able to use those points to get recess equipment, headphones for students, things for wildcat walk, etc. | |
| Dine & Donates | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● November 16 – Red Robin ● December 12 – Chipotle ● January 16 – Buona ● February 6 – Culvers ● March 19 – McTeacher Night | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● April – La Quesadilla (Date TBD) ● May – Dairy Queen (Date TBD) | |
| Upcoming Events | <p>Carissa Bell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reminder about Upcoming Events: ● Santa Shop-December 4-8 ● Candy Cane Grams-Delivery for Holiday Party Day – December 20 ● Winter Carnival-January 19 ● Valentine Candy Grams-Delivery for Party Day – February 14 ● Glow Dance-March 15 | |
| Question(s) | <p>For Santa Shop, will all students, even PreK, be allowed to shop?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yes, all students will have the opportunity to shop. PreK students are accompanied with a classroom aid to shop at any time so no one misses out. | |
| End of Meeting | <p>Next Meeting: Monday, February 12, 2024 -3pm Watson Gym</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Childcare will be provided <p>Meeting Adjourned: 3:23pm</p> | |