

Willis Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom, Thursday, February 25, 2021 @ 7 pm

Starting Time: 7:01 pm

Board Members Present: Allison Boccaccio, Lindsay Markun, Deb Hossenlopp, Melissa Summerlee

Other Members Present: Listed Separately

Minutes Submitted by Melissa Summerlee

Agenda:

1. Welcome/PTO Board Update
 - a. Walk-A-Thon
 - b. Walk-A-Thon Sponsors
 - c. E-Learners Involvement/Options
 - d. Financials/Business Partners
2. Administrative Update from Mrs. Price/Mrs. Mau
3. Champions of Education March 1 – 12
4. Staff Appreciation Week
5. PTO Board Elections
6. Q&A

Welcome/PTO Board Updates

1. Allison welcomed everyone and reminded everyone that Walk-A-Thon would be taking place tomorrow, Friday, Feb 25.
 - a. Walk-A-Thon- PTO has worked hard to coordinate the Walk-A-Thon over the last month. Everything is set up for the kids to have a great day tomorrow.
 - b. Walk-A-Thon Sponsors- Lindsay has done a great job of getting Walk-A-Thon sponsors. Lindsay worked to get Man Cave for Men and The Urban Shave banners made featuring 2 students. Influence Style, Lakewood Ranch Medical Center and Christy Peterson from Exit King Realty are all sponsors. Jade Patterson helped take the photographs for the banners.
 - c. E-Learners Involvement- E-Learners are able to participate and were contacted by their teachers and invited to attend during their specials time. They will check in at the front office and get signed. E-Learners that are not on campus can participate from home during their specials time at home.
2. Financials- December financials are up on the web-site. Maid Brigade joined in January as a Platinum Sponsor and now in February we had 2 new silver

partners Keith Tanguay with Central Park Property Management and Chelsea Place Senior Care.

Administrative Update

1. Gator Stamping has been working with Mrs. Price to replace the rope at the car driver circle. John has brought out samples. Found yellow chain to use. He has been great to work with.

Champions of Education

1. Will take place March 1 -12 to honor all district teachers and staff for thriving during this pandemic school year. Staff has really risen to the occasion to allow school to take place this year. T-Shirts will be coming for the staff.
2. PTO mentioned covering the shirt cost or it can come out of Mrs. Price's discretionary fund. PTO board will discuss. Mrs. Price estimated the cost at \$580 for the shirts.
3. PTO will also provide some gestures of kindness for the staff. PTO is coordinating Mrs. Darpino. PTO is planning on breakfast one day along with some other little treats. Mrs. Darpino has also coordinated breakfast from Dunkin' and Kona Ice treats.

Staff Appreciation Week

1. Will still take place in May.
2. PTO has traditionally used Business Partner Sponsorships to provide meals during Staff Appreciation week. This year looks a little different, so if anyone has contacts that might want to donate a meal for Staff Appreciation, please reach out to the PTO.

PTO Board Elections

1. PTO Board Elections are right around the corner. If anyone is interested in running for a PTO Board position, please reach out.
2. During a normal year there are positions for both the PTO Board and Committee Chairs for the different unique events we have.

Reminders

1. For any volunteers for tomorrow's Walk-A-Thon, all volunteer paperwork has been completed. Make sure you check in at the office first. You will have your temperature taken and you will need to wear a mask. If you need a mask break, please keep a far enough distance away from students, staff and other volunteers.
2. This is our one and only fundraiser for this year, so if you or anyone you know hasn't registered or donated yet but they plan to, please visit the web-site and do so. The web-site will remain up through Sunday.
3. Spirit Events- Barre 3 and Influence Style are coming together on Saturday for joint Spirit Day on Main St in Lakewood Ranch. Trying to schedule Carousels Icery soft serve/Italian Ice to come in April and May. They had a successful Spirit Event last month. Kona Ice is coming March 26th, April 16th and May 14th and D'Lites on April 20th. Renee has stickers for agendas for Spirit Events.
4. PTO Board Elections- Mrs. Price thought maybe having the meeting through Microsoft Teams or outside of the school. 20 is the max to have it at the school. Would need to be after school hours. Mrs. Mau has the documents for handling the PTO Board elections and she can start to come up with a plan to this year's elections. Nominations are open for 30 days for candidates to submit their applications. Mrs. Mau contacts them to confirm their nomination.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm