**Willis Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, January 19, 2018**

Starting Time: 8:45 am

Board Members Present:  Mr. Stenger, Mrs. Fintel, Bianca Lawrence, Sky Galliano, Tara Merino, Cathy Magda

Other Members Present: Listed separately

Minutes submitted by Cathy Magda

**Agenda:**

• Welcome

• Muffins for Mom

• Father/Daughter Dance

• Spring Fundraiser

• Financial Update

• Mr. Stenger / Mrs. Fintel Remarks

• Speaker Session

• Q&A

**PTO Welcome Message / Muffins for Mom**

• Cathy welcomed and thanked attendees for taking time to come.

• Muffins for Mom is Friday, February 2nd

• Signup Genius is going out soon and volunteers are needed. Good opportunity for Dads to help out.

**Father/Daughter Dance**

• Denise West, chairperson for father/daughter dance spoke about the upcoming event.

• The dance is on Friday, February 9th.

• See signup genius for volunteer opportunities.

• Photo booth is being donated by Hello Gorgeous Photo Booth.

• Ticket sales go fast so please buy your tickets right away.

**Spring Fundraiser**

• Valerie Demino spoke about the upcoming event.

• Casino Night spring fundraiser is on Friday, March 16th at Polo Grill.

• Babysitting is available free of charge however donations will be made to Make A Wish in Manatee/Sarasota County.

• Invitations will be going out shortly.

• Photo booth is being donated by Hello Gorgeous Photo Booth.

• There will be a silent auction and classroom baskets

• Sponsorships are available.

**Financial Update**

• Tara will provide financials online.

**Mr. Stenger / Mrs. Fintel Remarks**

• The administration has been busy preparing for FSA testing and iReady.

• There is a vacancy for a teacher aide.

**Speaker Session**

• Mrs. Morales and Mrs. Johnson spoke about Willis 101.

• The history of Willis from who is Robert E. Willis to how the school got its mascot.

• The difference between enrichment, iReady and classroom activities.

• Size of classes and how children are placed each year.

• How FSA testing is used to place students.

**Q&A**

• Bianca concluded meeting indicating a chair and committee is needed for Mother/Son event as well as a Family Event.

• Ideas and suggestions are welcome for both events.

• Possible family event is a camp out at Willis.

• Kona Ice will be donating at both events.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.