

Willis Elementary PTO

General Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 2, 2015

1. Fundraisers

- PDQ Spirit Night was well attended. Thanks to everyone that came out to have dinner. Our percentage of Willis sales was \$175!
- The next spirit night is at Buffalo Wild Wings on Monday, October 19th. There will be raffles for gift cards and Willis items!
- 1st Quarter Box Top winners:
- Mrs. Sherpf's-4th grade class, Mrs. Tomlin's-5th grade class and Mrs. Rockafellow's 2nd grade class who will receive a popcorn party.
- Walk-a-thon is on Friday, October 23rd. It is our largest fundraiser to raise money for Willis and chances for the kids to win prizes. We have added new prizes with the help of our survey and suggestions from Willis parents.
- We are so excited to announce that this year Willis was selected as BJ's Adopt a School program! Willis received \$500 from BJ's as well as an additional \$500 from Frito Lay due to an increase in Frito Lay sales at BJ's. As a result, we purchased 3 additional Ipads (for our 3 new teachers) and an Apple TV (for the Lobby TV).

2. PTO Updates and Projects

- We are in the process of purchasing a tv and tv console to display announcements and photos in the lobby, as well as a badge printing system for student and staff ID badges.
- Soon students will be feeling a cool breeze a PE as we are installing new fans in the covered area! We have received a bid for the installation and are now just waiting for the approval from the county.
- Training Update: Principal Stenger & VP Danowski attended the Leadership Lab Training & Workshop on Oct 5th & 6th in Alexandria, VA.

3. Committee News

- We have several committees looking for help.

Jen Bowles - Yearbook Committee, contact jennifer.bowles@aol.com

Deb Sharpe -Gingerbread Shop, December 7-10, contact me & I will forward your info

- Also at the Gingerbread Shop on December 10th, during the 3rd grade holiday concert, we will be having pictures with Santa and evening hours to shop.
- Gecko Gala is scheduled for February 27th. We are currently booking the Lake Club for the venue.

4. Financial Update

- please see attached

5. New events

- We are considering: a father/daughter dance, gecko painting and a parent's night out during the holiday season.

6. Announcements and Reminders

- Please remember to select Willis when shopping on Amazon as well as select Willis as your organization if you have the Target Red Card.

Important October Dates

Oct 2nd P.T.O. Meeting (2:00pm/Cafetorium)

Oct 5th Field Trip – 5th grade (details listed above)

Oct 5th – 12th Monstrous Book Fair (Library)

Oct 6th – Field Trip – 5th grade (details listed above)

Oct 8th - Donuts for Dads (7:30-8:30am)

Oct 7th Runners' Club (7:30-8:15am/Willis Field)

Oct 14th Runners' Club (7:30-8:15am/Willis Field)

Dress Down Day (\$2 to P.T.O.)

EARLY RELEASE (1:15pm)

Oct 19th Buffalo Wings Spirit Night

Oct 21st Runners' Club (7:30-8:15am/Willis Field)

Oct 23rd WILLIS WALK-A-THON (Willis Field)

End of 1st Quarter

Oct 26th NO SCHOOL (Record Day)

Oct 28th Runners' Club (7:30-8:15am/Willis Field)

Oct 29th 1st Quarter Report Card Night

Oct 30th Halloween Parade (9:00-10:00am)

EARLY RELEASE (12:30pm)