



Weller PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Attendees included PTO President Shelley Buch, Vice President Andrew Boeke, Treasurer Natalie Mercker and Secretary Katie Fulkerson

I. Welcome & Introductions

Shelley Buch

- Meeting began at 9:06am
- Introductions of board members
- Overview of what to expect at PTO meeting
 - Try to keep meetings to limited to 1 hour
 - Update everyone on what is happening in the school building and various committee
- Intro to Weller's PTO for new members
 - Fundraisers
 - MAIN: RallyUp and Membership
 - Supplemental: Rebates – Kroger, Box Tops, Coca-Cola Gives, Restaurant Takeovers
 - Events
 - September – RallyUp
 - October – Trunk or Treat
 - January – Reading Challenge
 - March – Wellerfest Family Night (entertainment in multipurpose room and games in the gym)
 - Things We Fund
 - Teacher and Grade Allotments (\$250 per teacher/\$600 per grade)
 - Hospitality – food for conferences, holiday brunch, and teacher appreciation week
 - Boonshoft to the Classrooms in all grades
 - Books for the IMC and book room
 - Capital items as needs arise

II. Officer Reports

A. Treasurer Report

Natalie Mercker

- Motion to move funds from savings to checking to cover cafeteria painting and sound panels approved at 9:24am
- Proposed budget was reviewed. We went through the sources of cash and uses of cash on this year's budget
- Motion to approve the budget at 9:29am

B. Vice President/Principal Report

Andrew Boeke

- Thank you for the continued support
- School improvements made over the summer included the installation of the Raptor safety system and the cafeteria being painted with the addition of sound panels
- Principal's Fund- is a discretionary fund that is funded by the school fundraiser to offset purchase orders that need to be made through the district. Allows Andrew to make purchases in a reasonable time
- Role as the vice president is to be a conduit between teachers/staff and parents with what's happening in the school as well as building updates
- Currently the school is working on getting students settled and back into school routines

C. President

Shelley Buch

- Thank you for all the food donations for staff welcome back breakfast
- Code Ninjas is a local business that reached out and would like to team up with Weller for a coding event. It was suggested the STEAM committee look into it as a coding or STEAM night event.
- RallyUp
 - Only major fundraiser of the year
 - Funds will help balance the budget then the rest will go towards updating the Weller library next summer
 - New this year is the choice of gift card between 3 stores (Disney, Target, Amazon)
 - New seller prizes this year: Weller color changing pencil, Weller pencil pouch and party bus to Donatos for lunch

III. Committee Reports

A. Membership

Marc McNulty/Natalie Mercker

- Members receive school directory in the fall
- Last year around this time just under 100 members. Currently at 63 members

B. Kroger Community Rewards

Kylene Spalding

- Goal is to get as many families' Kroger Plus cards linked to Weller to earn cash donations from Kroger
- Approximately \$1300-\$1500 brought in yearly
- Currently 267 families are enrolled
- Contest dates will run for 2-3 weeks after the Rally Up fundraiser to encourage new and current families to enroll who have not done so
- Prizes will be \$20 Kroger gift card for the winner in each grade; \$20 Kroger gift card to teacher with the highest percentage of enrollment
- The overall class with the most links will win either a pizza party or a prepackaged snack to take home. TBD

C. Spirit Wear

Amanda Spellman

- Sale will run September 12-26. Items are expected to be available around October 13.

- Many items listed. Youth sizes will range from xs-xl; adult sizes xs-4xl
- D. Restaurant Takeovers Shelley Buch
 - Ginny Foster will be taking over this position
 - Tentatively City BBQ Takeover Sept. 8, all day
- E. Hospitality/Homeroom Parents Kristi Edge
 - Two parties a year- October/Halloween and February/Valentines
 - Homeroom Parent Meeting will be held on September 8 at 9am in the Weller Café. More information to follow
 - Would like to have as many homeroom parents for each class as possible. Other ways to help if parents cannot attend in person is donating supplies for crafts or food
 - Discussed limiting the number of parents to volunteer only slots due to capacity numbers in the classroom
 - Discussed sending food in individually wrapped items and send home at the end of the party to allow more time for crafts and/or games
- F. Academic Volunteer Program (AVP) Kristi Edge
 - A district program that allows for parents and adults to come in and volunteer with students supporting their academic needs
 - Adults who would like to participate must have approval from the district and a background check
 - Anyone interested, there will be a building orientation or walk through on Friday, September 2
 - Look for a flyer with more information to come

IV. Open Forum / Announcements

- A. Open Positions will now be occupied by the following parents
 - Restaurant Takeovers- Ginny Foster
 - Scholarship- Stacey Niebruegge
 - Inside Building Appearance- Shannon Zullinger
 - STEAM Night- Amanda Spellman
- B. Next PTO meeting September 13 at 9am
 - All meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 9am except the January meeting which will be on Wednesday January 11 due to schedule conflict

V. Adjournment

- A. Meeting adjourned at 10:04am