

WILLOW BROOK PTO



Meeting
10/7/08
Willow Brook Library

Beth Wasserstrom, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

School Board Liason Bob Dillon reported a new recycling program that will include recycling of plastic and glass in addition to the paper recycling program already in place. QRS will provide the recycling.

Buzz Book has gone to printer.

Please submit any flyers to Beth before distributing. Flyers go out from the office on Fridays. Submit an electronic copy of the flyer to Nichole at PTO email wbpto@psdr3.org for inclusion in the website

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve May minutes was made and seconded. Motion passed. Motion to approve September minutes was made and seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Stephanie presented the Treasurer's Report for approval. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. The motion passed. We have received room party money from 54% of families.

Principal's Report – Mr. Aaron reviewed the upcoming calendar, including picture day on Friday, and culture awareness week next week.

- Monday Oct 13 – Cultural Awareness Kickoff- Students will wear a sticker to help celebrate the week.
- Tuesday Oct 14 – “Where in the World” day. Wear a shirt which names a favorite city or country.
- Wednesday Oct 15 – “Hat Day” – Support the Community Helping Ministry and bring a canned food item – then you will be allowed to wear a favorite hat in school all day!
- Thursday Oct 16 – “Country and Colors” day. Wear an outfit celebrating your families’ country – or the colors that match your country’s flag.
- Thursday Night Oct 16 – “A Night in India” 6:30-8:00pm Sample some foods, play some games, and watch performances from our featured country – and much more!
- Friday Oct 17 – We continue with a focus on India with an assembly featuring Indian dance and then follow-up with a story from India in our TEAMS meetings.

Staff Report - Maria Farmer reported that the library needs parent volunteers, particularly on Mondays or Fridays, and also during the Book Fair during parent teacher conferences. Mrs. Buss requested funds for tulip bulbs, plant food, tools, and gloves for the children to plant flowers in the PTO flower beds. A motion was made and seconded to approve \$125 for the purchase of the items. The motion passed.

Unforeseeable Expenses – PTO agreed to fund half of the cost of the Principal’s ice cream social. Since it wasn’t in the budget, the funds came from Unforeseeable Expenses, bringing the balance of that category down to \$0. A motion was made and seconded to move \$200 from savings to Unforeseeable Expenses. The motion passed.

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Technology Presentation – Maria Farmer gave a presentation that outlined the technology is being used in the classrooms at Willow Brook, including computers in the classrooms, Promethean Boards, and web-based programs.

President's Report – Forms for parent volunteers are available for committee chairs to utilize. See Beth. Fall Festival was a great success.

- We had 500-600 in attendance.
- 1200 raffle tickets were sold.
- The middle school and high school volunteers donated 1200 hours of volunteer time
- Thank you to Casey Skelton for building the jail.

Upcoming PTO Events

Kelly Wilson is collecting Box Tops for Education

Linda Murphy extended the deadline for Fall Fundraiser to Monday. Nichole will send out an email reminder.

Wendy Ryan reports that we have room parents for all rooms.

Nancy Holtgrieve reported that we currently have 106 Trunk-or-Treaters signed up.

Bev Garner is working on the menus for the staff appreciation luncheon.

Building Addition - Building plans for the new school addition were presented by Principal Aaron.

Construction will begin next month, and should be completed by the start of school next year.

Beth adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Meeting Minutes submitted by:

Nichole Whiteford

PTO Secretary

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