

**WAWM PTA Council Meeting Minutes**  
**September 4, 2013**

**Call to order**

6:30 PM by Laura

**Attendance**

See sign-in sheet

**Adjourned**

9:00PM, Motion made by Shannon

**MOTION**

By Gena Kraemer that all cell phones must be silent during meetings or \$5.00 will be charged to the owner of a ringing/buzzing cell phone. The \$5.00 will be donated to Council Scholarships, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shannon Mishun, motion passed

**Approval of Minutes**

*Minutes of the previous meeting approved and filed.*

**Treasurer's Report**

*Written report presented by Heather*

**Treasurer's Report**

*The budget was presented, discussed and was voted on*

*Local units (and council) must post budgets for 30 days prior to voting on them*

*Audits are due to Laura Weaver by November 1st*

**School Reports/Administration Reports**

- **Wilson**
  - **Off to a good start**
  - **Road construction has been challenging**
  - **Change in PTA meeting format**
    - **Topic of interest chosen by parent survey**
  - **Family health fair**
    - **Correlates with inquiry projects in class**
  - **100% Ipad distribution**
- **Hoover**
  - **PTA is a big part of what the school does for children**
    - **Wealth of knowledge of parents is used to teach kids**
  - **Enrollment is increasing**
  - **94% Ipad distribution**
  - **Hoover hustle coming up**

**Legislative Report (Brian Vissers and Laura Weaver)**

- See written report

**Superintendents Report (Kurt Wachholz)**

- Building visits being conducted
- WAWM district was not selected as one of the first 25 voucher schools
  - This indicates lack of interest from students
- District theme: Every Child Counts
- The mission, vision and beliefs of the district were approved
  - Following meetings of administrators, teachers and parents
- New website
- Enrollment
  - Increased over last year
  - Mostly in primary level
  - 460 in 4K
- Ipad rollout
  - Every teacher has one
  - 2/3 of students have one

- 100% of students will have one by the end of next year
  - We are in year 2 of the 3-year rollout
- 60 members from administrative already signed up as PTA members at the council or local level
  - Council will issue checks for local unit dues paid to council
- Gates Foundation Grand
  - Will be used for NxGLC
- Race to the top grant
  - 20 million dollars
  - We were very close to winning last year
  - Applying again this year
  - Partnering with Apple
- Wisconsin school of recognition
  - Pershing, Longfellow, Horace Mann, Jefferson, Wilson, Franklin
- State Report Card
  - Results will be public soon
  - 1 school received the highest score
  - 11 schools exceeded
  - 3 school meet expectations
  - 1 school does not meet expectations, but an appeal is in process

#### **Teacher Rep (Lynn Burke and Tammy from Lincoln)**

- Present, but No report

#### **President's Report (Laura)**

- Committees still need chairs, see Laura
  - Reflections will not be available at the council level if nobody steps up
  - Scholarship committee
    - Christen, Debbie, Jenny. Amy will be available for questions
    - MOTION: Amendment to Standing Rules: Scholarship committee should consist of three willing participants regardless of where in the district the participant(s) live. Motion made by Melissa Ferrusquia and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shannon Mishun, motion passed
  - Watch for more information on the Weight of the Nation event from WAHD
  - A Local unit experienced theft, police report will be out soon
  - Mediation within units
    - First step must be to approach each other and talk it out
    - Call on a council board member for help if needed
  - Dues/Donations to Council
    - Email remember to be sent out this week
  - School reports
    - Discussion about how/what/why
    - Will stay on the council agendas
  - Flyers
    - Can be sent district wide at the cost of the local unit
    - Send to Laura well in advance of the event

#### **Vice President Report (Gena Kraemer)**

- Newsletter was completed and distributed
- Directory will be out soon and will include meeting dates
  - Email Gena of any changes or cancelations
- Officer lists must be turned in ASAP
- Facebook has been updated

**Vice President Report (Amy Repati)**

- Leadership training
  - Registration is on-line
  - 8 workshops
  - Free for district members/charge for outside the district
  - Childcare and food

**Local Unit Accomplishments and Upcoming Events-connect with a board member at the school for more information**

SEPTA – no report

Lincoln – no report

Franklin – no report

WMIS – back to school chili competition, see flyer

Irving – no report

Longfellow – no report

WAC – no report

Hale – no report

FLW – no report

Hoover –Hoover Hustle

Jefferson – new playground built by efforts of a former student as an Eagle Scout project, fun run, Chip Shoppe fundraiser

Madison – no report

Pershing – no report

Mann – no report

Mitchell – Mitchell in Motion, new coffee machine for PTA and staff use, Ipad giveaway for membership

Walker – no report

Wilson – no report

**Handouts/attachments**

Agenda

Superintendent’s Report

Treasurer report

Motion slips

Council Leader training flyer

Council Budget

Legislative Report

Minutes from previous meeting

Sign in sheet

WMIS Chili flyer

Get the word out flyer

**Next Meetings**

October 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Submitted by**

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