

WAWM PTA Council Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2013

Call to order

6:34 PM by Laura

Attendance

See sign-in sheet

Adjourned

8:00PM, Motion made by Lynn B and Joyce

Approval of Minutes

*Minutes of the previous meeting approved and filed with one clerical change to Lincoln's report
Council will take a survey of membership for future meeting topics/training topics*

Treasurer's Report

Written report presented by Heather

See email reminders on due dates for payments to council—will contribute toward "good standing" status for council awards

Audit are due to Laura by November 1

Send State dues to State

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

- **Jefferson**
 - **Enrollment is up, opening a new room**
 - **100% Ipod rollout**
 - **Grant for fresh fruits and veggies**
 - **MAPS done**
 - **WKCE will start soon**
 - **4 NxGLC classes**
 - **Significantly exceeding expectations**
- **Irving**
 - **Exceeding expectations**
 - **Enrollment is up—2 new classrooms**
 - **100% Ipad rollout**
 - **Achieve 3000 online reading**
 - **Dreambox for online math**
 - **School garden is progressing**
 - **MAPS and WKCE testing going on and coming soon**

Legislative Report (Brian Vissers and Laura Weaver)

- See written report

Superintendents Report (Kurt Wachholz)

- Suggests signing up for Gopher Sports contest for playground equipment
- 3rd Friday count is up at elementary, especially 4K
- I pad rollout-year 2 of 3
 - 100% to teachers
 - 2/3 of all students
 - Almost 100% at elementary level
 - 4K will get Ipad minis last
- School report cards
 - 12 exceed,
 - 3 meet,
 - 1 didn't meet because of attendance (only points away from meeting)

- The district meets in all areas
- Race to the top grant
 - Application has been turned in
 - We were close last year
 - This year partnering with Apple and Follett
- Education Foundation raffle at Hale/Central game earned \$1300 for classroom grants
 - 90 grants were given last year
- Field dedication
 - Installed with help from NFL Grant and sponsors
 - Safest concussion rating of any field surface available
- Soccer field installation
 - Next to football field
 - US Soccer Assoc grant and a matching donation
 - Applications made to obtain grants to light the field
 - The district will still use Reservoir Park while the new field is under construction
- Media Reporting of school incidents
 - The district and principals deferred to the WAPD on the level of communication to parents
 - Legal direction was not to send out mass communication
 - A man was on the Franklin playground and accompanied a student and her mother in the school building
 - Was also allegedly seen at Madison and Lincoln
 - There was no risk to the safety of students
 - The media found out about the incident weeks later and made a story out of it
 - We have a new police chief and Mr. Wachholz sees the opportunity to partner better in the future on communication during incidents
- Mr. Wachholz and Brian Vissers are giving written and oral testimonies in Madison
 - Please also write letters
 - Copies are included with these minutes
 - Highlights include: reimbursement for substitutes, statewide database for student records, accountability for state-funded schools, charter schools, report card should take demographics into account, reporting of bullying incidents, core standards

Teacher Rep (Lynn Burke and Tammy from Lincoln)

- Staff reports not seeing membership forms from local units
- Each unit should send their membership information to Lynn and she will pass on
- Lynn and Tammy would like to create an incentive for staff

President's Report (Laura)

- Membership early bird award applications are due 9/30
- Email Laura if your school wants to be on the movie license
- Uncle Ben's National Cookoff video contest
- Smarter Balance-replacing WKCE
 - Website: <http://www.smarterbalanced.org>
- Laura was chosen to sit on a DPI committee on parent communication
- See Laura for back-to-school kits

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
- Carnival is February 9th
- CAAD would like a PTA Council Liaison to attend their meetings
 - Meetings are 3rd Wednesday of every month
- Send all flyers to Gena for the Council website

Vice President Report (Amy Repati)

- No report
- Results of training surveys was shared with the exec board

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

SEPTA – spiritwear orders due today, looking for liaisons at each school, vendor/craft fair coming up at WAC, middle school dance is being planned, round robin—may have a meeting at each school this year

Lincoln – walk to school day, bewitched ball/toxic science lab-joint event with staff and PTA, craft/vendor fair coming up

Franklin – picnic was successful, Halloween dance coming up, partnering with the church nearby for community projects

WMIS – (not present) Chili cookoff went well, 100% staff membership, haunted Hallway coming up

Irving – no report

Longfellow – no report

WAC – 1st meeting was the largest in years, met with teachers, Dr. Mielke raffled off a parking spot, dine-in fundraisers are going well, rummage coming up

Hale – Craft fair coming up, pushing for 100% staff membership

FLW – no report

Hoover –Hoover Hustle donations were down, but expenses were down also

Jefferson – dine-out series fundraiser-Fazoli this month, Harvest party coming up, Holiday Bazarre, boxtop contest, playground project raised \$55,000, rummage was successful

Madison – social event gained 69 members, clubs choice fundraiser, harvest dance coming up

Pershing – barbecue was rained out, box top competition, harvest fest coming up

Mann – police have finished investigating the theft and Heather is handling their finances

Mitchell – Mitchell in Motion raised \$12000, 75% of students got pledges, Mr Hill will be taped to the wall, good turnout at picnic, working on Halloween dance and PB&J challenge

Walker – no report

Wilson – no report

Handouts/attachments

Agenda	Legislative Report
Superintendent’s Report and letters	Minutes from previous meeting
Treasurer report	Sign in sheet
Motion slips	
Newsletter	

Next Meetings

November 6th

Submitted by

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