

WAWM PTA Council Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2013

Call to order

6:30 PM by Amy Repati in Laura's absence

Attendance

See sign-in sheet, quorum verified

Adjourned

7:50PM, Motion made by Sam Repati

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting approved and filed

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

Send State dues to State

See Heather if you are unsure of the payment status of your unit (for dues and donations)

School Reports/Administration Reports

- **Walker**
 - **Summer programs to impact back-to-school performance**
 - **Parents came in May to learn more and sign a summer contract**
 - **82% of participants maintained or increased reading level**
 - **Teachers connected with students throughout the summer**
 - **Pool party held for participants**
 - **Razz and Achieve will count towards reading incentive program**
- **Madison**
 - **176 previous and 213 current enrollment**
 - **PTA went from about 7 to about 20 attendees at meetings**
 - **Seeing renewed energy**
 - **New committees**
 - **More volunteers**
 - **More ideas/alternative fundraising**
 - **50 kids signed up for Spanish club**
 - **Change in field trip funding by PTA**
 - **PTA now only pays for transportation, previously field trips were 100% funded by PTA**
 - **\$500 won in PTA/PTO photo contest**
 - **50th Anniversary last year**
 - **Long term goal is to replace playground equipment**
 - **\$12000 raise so far**

Legislative Report (Brian Vissers and Laura Weaver)

- See written report

Superintendents Report (Kurt Wachholz)

- The WAFD did not get grant renewal to support Survive Alive
 - This year, they will use on-duty firefighters during 1 week of January
 - January is a slow month and since the firefighters are already on duty cost will not be incurred
- Reminder to PTAs that equipment donated to schools becomes property of the district and can be moved to another school potentially
 - This has NEVER happened in our district, but has in other districts
- Board approved a 4.5% tax decrease
- Change in concealed carry law a possibility
 - Guns would be allowed in schools by permitted owners
- Assembly Bill 51
 - Adds Math and Science credits to min qual for graduation
 - Supported by the district

- New school building purchased
 - Enrollment has increased in the district in each of the last 5 years
 - This purchase will not burden tax payers
 - Paid for by rental income from Ad. Building

Teacher Rep (Lynn Burke and Tammy from Lincoln)

- WAC is presenting “Oliver”
- Hale is presenting “The Man Who Came to Dinner”
- Each unit should send their membership form and information to Tammy Fure

President’s Report (Laura)

- No report

Vice President Report (Gena Kraemer)

- Newsletter was completed and distributed
- Directory is available on the website
- The website has been updated
- Carnival Committee met (Carnival will be held on February 9th)
 - Theme is being decided on
 - 50/50 raffle
 - Cake Auction
 - Art Competition
 - Baskets are needed (empty)
 - Each unit should donate a filled basket or cash (see Heather)
- Reflections
 - If a student chooses to enter, they will have to submit individually (no council rep)

Vice President Report (Amy Repati)

- No report

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

SEPTA – not present/no report

Lincoln – vendor fair coming up, providing WKCE snacks, concert and fun run coming up

Franklin – Halloween dance was successful

WMIS – Haunted Hallway successful, Holiday Bazaar and pancake breakfast coming up

Irving – not present/no report

Longfellow – not present/no report

WAC – fundraisers with Buffalo Wild Wings and CiCi coming up

Hale – Craft fair coming up, monthly meetings with principal, play is coming up

FLW – Boo to you incentive dance was successful, Green and Gold party/fundraising incentive, teacher dinner and candy buffet during conferences, talent Tuesday at lunches

Hoover – Harvest dance was successful/partnered with Hunger Task Force, new members

Jefferson – not present/no report

Madison – report was given during School/Admin report

Pershing – Fall Fest, Secret Santa coming up

Mann – not present/no report

Mitchell – Halloween dance was successful, Giving Tree and Santa’s workshop coming up

Walker – Halloween party was successful, good fundraiser with Club’s Choice, movie night, 238 members, Teacher Giving Tree

Wilson – not present/no report

Handouts/attachments

Agenda
Superintendent's Report and letters
Treasurer report
Motion slips
Newsletter

Legislative Report
Minutes from previous meeting
Sign in sheet

Next Meeting

January 8th***1 week later than usual due to winter break

Submitted by

Debbie Gast, WAWM PTA Council Secretary