

January 2019 General Meeting Minutes

1.15.2019 9:30 PM WLMS Media Center

9:30 AM – Julie Cavanaugh-President called the meeting to order, WELCOME! Please sign in so we have your contact information. If you haven't already done so...join today!

Attendees were as follows: *Julie Cavanaugh, Kelly Alicandro, Jennifer Calhoun, Leslie Fitzgerald, Danielle Yackley, Michelle Aimone, Stephanie Norek, Angela Willis, Stephanie Krause, Becky Mladenoff, Karla Clevenger, Patrick Borg & Tammy Deloney, Mirit Shamir*

December minutes reviewed and passed – Motion to pass – 1st Kelly Alicandro, 2nd Stephanie Krause, all in favor, none opposed.

Handouts included minutes from December, agenda, YTD Cash Flow

THANK YOU'S.....

Went over all of the staff Holiday gift thank you's, notes, emails and personal thank you's.
THANK YOU Stephanie Krause for organizing the 8th grade party!

HELP NEEDED - Upcoming Events-

ZAM February 1 – during 2nd hour, Cookies & Hot Chocolate. *SUG ready and going out in news and notes this week. Julie arriving at 8 am to plug in pots for hot chocolate.*

Student of the Month Luncheon – January 30th – water and deserts needed for 75. Danielle, Becky, Kelly and Michelle bringing in water, Angela, Jennifer & Julie bringing in dessert.

Legislation & Reflections Chair positions are still open....

8th Grade Farewell Party – Stephanie Krause

Organizational meeting to be held today after meeting and this evening @ 7:00 PM, both in the WLMS Media Center.

Events for Kohls Grants – Extreme Reality, try the day before Spring Break. Any other activities??
No spring conferences.

April ZAM to be scheduled.

Membership Report – Kelly Thompson

Currently 44 members!

Membership applications available today, send to school, apply online

PTSA Membership Cards will be available on member hub if you really want one

Check out the resources available to you as part of this national organization.

Put a link to member hub from Facebook.

Treasurer Report – Danielle Yackley

Review of Revenue/Expenses

Annual 990 tax return to be filed

Budget 8th grade party \$980.

“Free Money” – help us take advantage of these community resources, Shoparoo app. different organization to earn school cash.

Kohls Monies went to Web & Leadership.

Health & Wellness Chair – Lisa Sutton

Water Challenge? Gather more specifics and get to Mr. Borg. Is there still a need for vaping presentation for parents? More is coming and more from the coalition, working on it. National Days to think about...

Communications – Karla Clevenger

Website updates – whitelakemiddleschoolpta.weebly.com

Discussed the communication emails and the attachments, make News & Notes 1st since there is a lot of important information in that. Important information may be getting lost when there are 7 attachments.

New Business

“Screenagers” – documentary revealing how tech time impacts kids’ development and offers solutions on how adults can empower kids to best navigate the digital world and find balance. – how much will PTSA contribute - \$500.00. Is this still going to happen?

March – Solicit new board members

April - 5th grade orientation (incoming 6th graders), earth day clean up, volunteer appreciation

May – New parent tea, elect new officers, staff luncheon, teacher appreciation day

June – field day popsicles, ZAM, 8th grade farewell party

District parent council meeting need reps to attend. School of Excellence survey results went very well. Families were part of the roll, 6 standards, welcoming all families, multi languages. We are always respectful towards families, need to improve in areas of increase offerings of volunteering, communicate effectively and speaking up for every child. Brain storm ideas to improve on weaknesses, need to improve scores by resubmitting surveys. Due Date May 15, 2019.

Teacher Rep – Darci Larowe – Nothing

Student Rep – November & December students of the month came in to meeting. A total of twelve, 6,7 and 8th graders attended. Kids representative of Oxbow, Lakewood & Heritage Elementary. The kids were asked a few questions. Received overall positive feedback such as they liked after school activities, sports @ WLMS, lots of classes offered with good teachers, 6th graders likes the WEB leaders on Fridays, making beats with Mr. Fox. Would like to see pizza ZAM party with a few bags of chips.

Ms. Chema – Nothing

Principal’s Report - Mr. Borg

Data and assessment back, MSTEP proficiency. MAP/NWA assessed on growth, evaluated based on student performances, great growth here @WLMS. MAP is National and MSTEP is State.

Safety week February 2-9, emailed sent out from Kim Root

Public relation & safety, Alice training, Run/Hide/Fight is meaning of Alice.

Discussed where fundraising monies will be allocated. Media Center upgrades, 2 collaborative work stations/space, using the bookcases, etc. to make new work stations. 6 high top chairs, flat screens etc.

Talked about the future early release schedule, these work as PD days, currently there are far and few between. The 2019-2020 school year these will be more frequent and consistent.