



1155 Westwood Street · De Pere, WI 54115 · 920/337-1087
PTO Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2025 6 p.m.

- I. Call to Order by President Katie Bloks. Mission read. Introductions done.
- II. Attendance: **Katie Bloks, Amanda Kriescher, Sarah Pappas, Patti O’Konski, Jay O’Konski, Jodi Bergner, Dan Knetter, Kris Klapatch, Rose Pflederer**
- III. Mission Statement Review: *To support the education of children at Westwood Elementary and foster relationships among the school, parents, and teachers. We do this by providing important resources and opportunities that enhance the lives of the students, teachers, staff and parents.*
- IV. Reports
 - a. President’s Report:
 - i. Time again to vote on chartering the Boy Scouts. Rose made a motion to continue to charter the boy scouts. Patti seconded. All in favor.
 - ii. Skylar is going to have to step down as VP - health/time commitment. Katie asked if we need to open it up for someone new to step in - unsure - perhaps Kristi will step into the role. We will table that until the next meeting.
 - b. Treasurer’s Report
 - i. Budget - Rec’d \$51.45 in from Home Clothing. Golf money coming in - \$2,163.65. \$158.95 for teacher’s appreciation. Amanda made a motion to approve the budget, Rose seconded. All approved.
 - c. Principal’s Report.
 - i. March is reading month.
 - ii. Hygiene drive coming up . Collecting toilet paper, household products, deodorant, soap, etc.
 - iii. Dress-up days on the calendar.
 - iv. Forward testing is coming up and then Act 20 testing.
 - d. Funds Request
 - i. Math Carnival - Ms. Krahn. Sarah will email Ms. Krahn to see what is needed.
 - ii. Play 60 - Mr. Knetter. 2025 Jake’s Jumper invoice for Play 60 - field day. It’s more than a field day. An all school event to celebrate the accomplishments of the school year and send the kids off on a positive note. Total is \$5,381.75 w/tip. Amanda made a motion to approve, Rose seconded. All approved.
 - e. Committee Chair Updates
 - i. Teacher Appreciation. Feb was well rec’d and much appreciated.
 1. March - scratch offs - Sarah is taking care of getting these.
 2. April - Rose will take care of.
 - ii. Takeout Tuesday Chair (Amanda)
 1. May 2nd -Scotts Subs.
 - iii. Apparel chair (Katie). **Nothing new to report.**
 - iv. Golf outing (Amanda and Jackie)
 1. next meeting 3/18 Abbey 7 pm
 - v. Seroogys(Melissa and Sarah). **Forms went home today.**

1. forms home 3/ 4- 3/19
2. order placed 3/21
3. pick up at Seroogys 4/4 or later
4. sort orders 4/7 after school
5. distribute orders to families 4/9 4-6pm

V. Prior Business

a. New events/ fundraising for 25-26 school year

- i. ideas: family game night, bingo night, bowling fundraiser, star students, decorating halls during testing weeks, movie during school
- ii. establish budget for next year
- iii. **Katie did a mock up of next year's school calendar with PTO events, etc.**
- iv. **Kris Klapatch (new custodian). Kris has an event business and is looking to partner with Westwood for a fundraiser. Carnival games. Suggesting to try to do it for May. Discussion was held on if we need approval from Kristin or even Dr. Lau. Decided too soon for this year/May and something we can look at for next year, probably a better fit.**
- v. **Discussed doing a game or bingo night. Will discuss more later.**
- vi. **Katie would like to propose another fundraiser. Kringle didn't do as well as the pizza that it was replacing.**
- vii. **Would like to work on budget items for next year, so that what we are fundraising in the current year is set to pay for next year. Rose suggested Butter Braids instead of Kringle.**

b. Scholarship- Melissa/Jackie

- i. need to decide ; amount, parameters for qualifying(yrs attended WW).
- ii. **Melissa/Jackie were not present, but they had a meeting at the high school. The high school prefers the money go into a school district controlled account. Discussion on only putting a certain amount in at a time and the rest into a money market type to help it grow. We will have to vote on how much we want to put in the account by the end of this year and come up with parameters to qualify. Suggested that the recommendation come from guidance counselors. What should be the required number of years at Westwood? To start, we want to benefit kids during the COVID years. Suggested to attend Westwood for at least 3 years. Also discussed having a question/short essay to be done on the impact WW had on them. Will need to have a committee to decide who money goes to. We also need a budget to get an amount. Discussed \$15k-\$20k. Will discuss more at the next meeting.**

c. volunteer opportunities

- i. Early dismissal Fun PTO volunteer sign up
 1. 3/21 1st grade. **Sign up went around for volunteers.**
 2. **Rose made a motion to approve for \$150 for this fun day. Patti seconded. All approved.**
- ii. **decorating the front office for Spring volunteers. Katie and Rose will do it. Amanda volunteered if needed.**

VI. New Business

- a. **Indoor recess activity ideas- Melissa & Katie. Briefly discussed an idea Melissa has for some indoor recess ideas. Rolling lego carts. We will table until the next meeting due to time constraints.**

VII. Adjournment – Next meeting: April 1 , 6:00 p.m.