

**PTO Meeting Minutes
Western Avenue School
Tuesday, March 12 2019
7pm**

Executive Board Members

- Margie Mollner: Co-President
- Elizabeth Nguyen & Amanda Tuccini: Co-Vice Presidents
- Nicole Jones: Treasurer
- Kim Sumrak: Secretary

- I. Call to Order & Welcome
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Introductions of All Present: PTO Board, Mr. Zeman, Jessica Parker (GPLD), Kristi Kusak, Mrs. Caputo, Ms. Augustine & Ms. Pysarenko
- IV. Motion to Approve February 2019 Minutes
 - 1st - Amanda Tuccini
 - 2nd – Elizabeth Nguyen
- V. GPLD Update – Jessica Parker
 - a. The new library building is on track for a November 2019 opening. Updates and information can be found on www.gpldnewbuilding.org.
- VI. Treasurers Report – Nicole Jones
- VII. Principals Report – Mr. Zeman (see detail below)
 - a. Teacher Wish List Items: The following wish list items were approved by the PTO Executive Board:
 - i. Kindergarten Teachers = 3 “Handwriting Without Tears” curriculum kits.
 - ii. Coach T/P.E.= iPad for assessing students and allowing students to self-assess.
 - iii. Cathy Fuller/LMC Director = New non-fiction books

- iv. Kristina Dauber (School Psychologist), Kara Rollins (Speech Pathologist) and Pamela Doll (Social Worker) = Social thinking curriculum
- v. Kathy Spencer = CanDo Ball Chair & Rocking Stool for moving while learning in the classroom.
- vi. 5th Grade Teachers = Chair pockets
- vii. 1st Grade Teachers = 2 tabletop lightboxes with manipulations & subtraction learning wrap-up kits.

VIII. Old Business/New Business

A. Spring Clothing Sale Report (Amanda Tuccini)

- a. The Spring Clothing Sale held at WAS on Friday, March 8th and Saturday, March 9th netted approximately \$8,000.
- b. Unsold clothes and toys were donated to the Batavia Clothes Closet and Ronald McDonald House.

B. 4th Grade Fundraiser (Nicole Jones)

- a. The 31 Fundraiser held in February brought in \$232.50.
- b. The bake sale conducted at last weekend's Spring Clothing Sale netted \$503.65.
- c. Next up look for the Ducks to land in April.

C. Artist in the Courtyard Report (Margie Mollner)

- a. On April 11th, 10-15 volunteer artists from the community will share mediums of art during school hours.
- b. Art by Joseph will be participating in the event and creating a permanent sculpture for the courtyard.

D. Spring Beautification Report (Stephanie Fellingner)

- a. Coming this Spring.

IX. Open discussion to the floor

X. Motion to adjourn

1st – Elizabeth Nguyen

2nd – Nicole Jones

PTO Meeting Minutes – Principal’s Report

What Have We Been Doing?

- 1/18 – 11:20 Dismissal for SIP
- 1/18 – Tribes
- 1/21 – NO SCHOOL – MLK Jr. Day
- 1/22 – Robert Crown visits 5th grades
- 2/24 – Social Studies Committee Meeting
- 2/1 – National World Read Aloud Day
- 2/4 – 2/8 – CogAT Testing – Grades 2, 3, & 5
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- 2/6 – Orchestra Concert at GHS – 7:00 PM
- 2/8 – Fun Fair
- 2/15 – Tribes
- 2/18 – NO SCHOOL – President’s Day
- 2/19 – Chicago Steel Assembly
- 2/20 – Band Concert at GHS – 7:15 PM
- 2/22 – 3rd Grade Demo Concert – 8:15 AM
- 2/22 – 2nd Annual Geneva 304 Bowling Tourney
- 2/25 – Grade 4 to COD Arts Center
- 2/25 – Kindergarten to Play at Theaterworks
- 2/27 – Grade 2 to Cinemaworks
- 2/28 – 11:20 Dismissal – P/T Conferences
- 3/1 – NO SCHOOL – County-wide Institute Day
- 3/4 – 3/7 – Mutual Ground Presentations
- 3/8 – Clothing Sale – 6-9 PM
- 3/9 – Clothing Sale – 8-11 AM

Upcoming Dates

3/15 – Tribes
3/18 – Law Enforcement Drill
3/19 – Grade 4 to Museum of Science & Industry
3/19 – Discipline Committee Meeting
3/20 – Book Fair – 2:30 – 8:00
3/20 – Open House – 6:30 – 8:00
3/21 – Book Fair – 2:30 – 4:00
3/25-3/29 – SPRING BREAK
4/1 – One School One Book Kick-Off
4/3 – 5th Grade to Elgin Symphony Orchestra
4/5 – 3rd Annual Volleyball Tournament
4/8 – Illinois Assessment of Readiness (PARCC)
4/11 – Artists in the Courtyard
4/15 – Joint PTO Meeting
4/17 - 5th Grade to Marklund Home
4/18 – 5th Grade Program – 1:15 PM
4/19 – NO SCHOOL
4/22 – 4th grade to Cinemark
4/24 – Secretaries Day
4/25 – 3rd Grade to Shedd Aquarium
4/25 – 5th Grade Parent Night at Middle Schools
4/30 – Band Concert – 7:15 @ GHS
5/1 – Orchestra Concert – 6:30 @ GMSS
5/1 – Spring Benchmarking begins
5/6 – Nurse’s Day
5/6 – 5/10 – Teacher Appreciation Week
5/13 – 1st Grade to WV Planetarium

Other Information

- On Wednesday, 3/13 after school, teachers will be working with their grade-level peers on writing.
- WAS is a pilot sight for a new ELA assessment for the IAR.