

# R. C. Lindsey PTO Agenda

February 5, 2021

## I. Call to Order

1. 12 members in attendance including all four board members and Principal Bellan.

## II. Reading of the Minutes

1. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes made by Elizabeth Randay, second by Misty Caudill.

## III. Teacher Requests

1. Mrs. Cerny is requesting 24 Seat Sacks for Third Grade Desks \$360
  1. Using desks from the middle school so there is no storage. Some disparity on amount requested vs. amount it will cost - Genevieve will check in. Says it will still be helpful for her homeroom next year as well if she has the same desks.
  2. Same brand that Westwood purchased for the entire school - so they have been researched/verified.
  3. Mrs. Bellan says teachers are happy with kids having their own space again - may not go back to tables after the pandemic.
  4. Genevieve - a great way to spend down the balance - we have a lot of money and pay tax if it is over a certain amount.
  5. Mrs. Bellan says they will be of good use and will put out a Google Form to see if other teachers are interested.
  6. Michelle is concerned that some classrooms are using bins on the ground and kids are tripping on them all. Safety hazard. All in favor of seat sacks for anyone who wants them!
  7. **Motion to purchase 32 Seat Sacks for Mrs. Cerney for \$266 made by Genevieve Duxbury. Second by Danna Geraci. Body votes - all in favor. Katie will buy on Amazon so we do not pay tax.**

## IV. Principal's Update

1. Busy collecting mid-year assessments. MAP results are fantastic. Students did a beautiful job and have made amazing gains. Will put together a presentation for families and include in the newsletter. Did Gotcha paws for students that made a certain amount of progress.
2. Second Step - social/emotional guidance curriculum. Teachers will be handling it in-class. Will be rolled out by the end of the year. Homeroom teachers will do one 30 minute lesson per week.

3. Kindness day on February 17. Will recognize it as a school - let Mrs. Bellan know if you have ideas!
4. One school one book - we will likely use Scholastic dollars for it. Will need parents to help with planning.
5. Trying to pair nonfiction books with the fiction exemplar texts. Mrs. Bellan went around and read "The Girl Who Thought In Pictures" to all and the kids loved seeing her!

## V. Treasurer's Report

1. Purchased prizes for Ace Awards, winter party. Made \$170 on Box Tops since last March. \$165 on Penguin Patch.

## VI. Old Business

1. Fall Book Fair
  1. Still waiting on an update on what we earned in Scholastic Dollars. Will use towards one school one book.
2. Winter Craft
  1. Kids really enjoyed it! Thank you Becky!
3. Penguin Patch
  1. Made \$165. Didn't TRY to make money, just wanted to have the option for the kids so they could shop for families. Company sent out some surprise slime gifts so Michelle raffled them off to anyone who made purchases.
4. Spirit Week
  1. Went well, worked with student council and Westwood to get the word out. Will include student council more in this
5. Winter Celebration
  1. Kids chose movies, room parents sent in craft. Sent in Smart Pop and juice. No feedback really either way.
6. Bylaw Update/Communication with Admins
  1. Instead of combining PTOs we decided to just update bylaws rather than merge. All available online for review. Michelle will reach out the school treasurer now that all of the bylaws are updated.
7. Gotcha Awards
  1. 13 \$5 Dairy Queen gift cards donated for prizes.
8. ACE Awards
  1. Quarter 2 Ace awards when kids returned in January.
9. Westwood PTO Voted to Change Bylaws as Well
  1. Westwood voted and approved their new bylaws.

## VII. New Business

1. Snacks for Conferences
  1. Mrs. Bellan purchased and we reimbursed.
2. Valentine's Day Party
  1. Valentines were due today. PTO did pudding and juice off of approved snack list. Also ordered white bags to hold their valentines and take them home. Purchased 400 bags.
3. Sunshine Fund/Winter Gear for Kids
  1. Misty has reached out multiple times and is still waiting on counts on how many kids are in need of winter items for recess.
  2. At November meeting there was talk about winter clothes that kids needed. Has followed up three times and still needs a number. Elizabeth did drop off some hats/gloves/earmuffs to keep in the office. Is there no need or a breakdown in communication? Mrs. Bellan doesn't think there is a need now - but Misty says if there is just let her know and she will purchase.
4. Book Lunch Bunch
  1. Anne, Erin & Misty planning to try something outside when it gets warmer, Zooming in the virtual kids. Right now there are no volunteers so we will see what happens as time goes by. Erin is trying to start the same at Westwood. Mrs. Bellan says we could use the pavilion - Misty and one other parent would be allowed to come in.
5. Girls on the Run
  1. PTO will donate a fund to provide snacks for the girls.
  2. Will be the first club in Geauga County. National ORganization designed to train kids all about women empowerment. Train to run a 5k. Every week there is a social/emotional curriculum. Will talk about healthy snacks.
6. Box Tops
  1. New contest for parents/families to kick off for February.
7. Virtual Student Social Events
  1. Becky and Genvieve have been working on events for virtual students to keep them connected - so far book club and Among Us games. Becky would like to do an art project yet for kids who the other options haven't appealed to. - Request made for a small stipend of money to cover materials (\$3-4 per child for spring craft). A few hundred dollars to run a social emotional zoom. Motion made by Becky Ohlsen, second by Misty Caudill. Approved unanimously.
8. Reading/Math Monthly Kick-Off - PTO Donating Prizes (keychains)
  1. Make sure kids are counting up their minutes. Google spreadsheet coming out with the Smore.

## VIII. Adjournment

1. Motion to adjourn by Elizabeth Randau, second by Becky Ohlsen. See you next month!

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**Next Meeting - March 5, 9:15AM**

Thank you to our 2020/2021 Committee Chairs!!

Looking for committee members – join a committee today!

Project Committees	Chair	Co-chair
ACE Awards	Michelle Wiece	Genevieve Duxbury
Beautification	Meg Minotas	
Book Lunch Bunch	Misty Caudill	
Box Tops	Kimya Matthews	
Lindsey Book Club	Becki Gierman	
Parent Volunteer Room (PVR)	Jill Wierzbicki	
PTO Room Captains & Parent Volunteers	Nicki Mikolay	
Publicity/Website/Social Media	Shelley Gierman	
Refreshments: Ice Cream Social Grant Breakfast Halloween, Holiday, Valentine Testing snacks Teacher conference dinners (2x) Field Day lunch Veteran's Day cake 5th grade celebration cake	Gina Jones	Michelle Wiece
Sponsorship	Danna Geraci	
Sunshine	Misty Caudill	Genevieve Duxbury

Event Committees	Chair	Co-chair
Book Fair	Becky Edwards	
Donuts at Dawn	Jennifer Creech	
First Day Greeters	Nicki Mikolay	
Holiday Giftshop	Becky Ohlsen	Elizabeth Randau
Laps 4 Lindsey	Andrea Milnar	Shelley Gierman, Genevieve Duxbury
Lunch with a Loved One		
Popcorn Day	Jill Wierzbicki	
Vendor Night	Danna Geraci	
PTO Family Fun Nights	Genevieve Duxbury	
Back-to-School Pool Party	Michelle Wiece	
Skating Parties	Michelle Wiece	

Kalahari	Michelle Wiece	
Monster Night	Michelle Wiece	