

Jacob Wismer PTO  
Meeting Minutes  
February 9, 2010

**Welcome and Introduction:** Robin welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

**President's report:** Robin went to the January staff meeting. She talked about PTO recruiting. She asked the teachers for help in recruiting volunteers for next year and our succession planning.

Website update: Greg and Janelle and still working on the website and we should have a shell to look at soon.

**Approval of the minutes:** Brenda Stober made a motioned to approve minutes with a few typos. Wendy seconded the motion. The motioned was voted and passed.

**Principal's report:** Joan reviewed the Technology plan for next year: See attached information for an update. The field grand opening will be April 7<sup>th</sup> 1:45. All the children will participate. The fence will come down on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Robin asked about the original roadmap and where the laptops fit into the roadmap. Joan responded that with the lab up and running, the teachers are not using the lap tops as much. Money may be better spent in the lab.

**VP Fundraising:** Jana has organized a dinner fundraiser at Pizza Schmizza on February 25<sup>th</sup>. A flyer will go home and be on the web. You need to have the flyer at the time of pickup. It is the Tanasbourne location only and the PTO will received 35%.

\$466 was made from the Piccolo Mondo sale before break.

We may have a parent to organize a scrip program. This might be able to replace one of our fundraisers. More information to follow.

**Community Events:** Brenda reported that Family Fun Night went well, the kids had a great time and it was well organized. Thanks to Dawn Morgan to heading up the event.

Art Infusion Team: Melissa reported that there are only 23 days left until Celebrate the Arts. The boxes have gone to the teachers and will be picked up on the 12<sup>th</sup>. The music program is filling up quickly. 3 teachers have signed up to play. There are 7 confirmed artists for the gym. The Stoller Band will be represented as well. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be auctioning off pieces from the 5<sup>th</sup> grade program. March 4<sup>th</sup> will also kick off the Artist in Residence assembly.

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Volunteers have logged in 4523 hours so far. Rashmi has worked with Marc from help counter to deal with a few computer issues. The Junior Achievement training will be February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

The Art literacy committee has been assembled for next year. Brian Hamilton will be chairing Junior Achievement next year. For the VC positions – there have been a few bites but nothing solid yet.

A committee will need to be formed next month for the nominating committee. This committee is responsible for putting together the slate of PTO board members for the 2010 –11 year.

A chairperson or people need to be found to take on Jump Start next year. A picture/vision screening chair person needs to be found as well.

**Member at Large:** Geralyn reported that Staff Appreciation will be having one last lunch on March 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a breakfast on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Staff Appreciation week is May 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup>.

A New Family Coffee will be held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am. Joan and Robin will speak. Melissa offered to make phone calls to new families if that would help.

**Treasurer's report:** Our year is going well. See attached documents for specific budget information. Kathi asked if Tobey has spent the Junior Great Books money. Tobey said she did but was wondering if she could spend more. There are not enough books for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. After a quick discussion, Melissa motioned to give junior great books \$200.00 more dollars. Jana seconded the motion. There was discussion. Motioned was voted on and passed.

**Site council update:** Joan reported that the team brainstormed and research activities that have happened at JW and other schools. Math nights and writing night were two popular events. Site council would like to see this next year.

**LSC:** Joan reported that there are a few issues with THRPD after school programs and the basketball groups. Joan and Colin met with head of maintenance at the district to have the groups follow the rules. Colin also met with THRPD to set up rules and guidelines for the afterschool programs. LSC will limit the after school programs in the future to the Library, Stage, and the Art Room and only run programs 2 days a week. Joan is also trying to find groups to "Adopt a flower bed". THRPD may have an interest in this and have a nature class that would do it

There is also a concern to increasing security so that there is no theft in the building during after school hours.

**Grade Reports:** Pam reported today. She thanked the PTO for the wonderful lunch.

Kinder: Chinese New Year, 100<sup>th</sup> day of school, geometry, valentines

1<sup>st</sup>: Polar bears

2<sup>nd</sup>: Solar energy; Intel is coming to present

3<sup>rd</sup>: Oaks testing; Science Inquiry 1<sup>st</sup> time mandatory; 3<sup>rd</sup> grade program

4<sup>th</sup>: State writing test; like the new math program, regions of the US

5<sup>th</sup>: music program; RTI going well; math, Reading, and science groups, biz town in March, visit in May, Middle school,

ESL: finished state testing

Art: March 1<sup>st</sup> display of art at the admin building for 2 weeks

1<sup>st</sup>: Writing and drawing

2<sup>nd</sup>: Quilt blocks, distortion pictures

3<sup>rd</sup>: Quilt blocks moral for program

4<sup>th</sup>: Lines, arch drawing

5<sup>th</sup>: Painting

**New business:** None

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:13.