

1. Welcome & Call to Order at 7:06pm
2. Approval of September 2019 Meeting Minutes: motion moved and passed
3. Principal's Report:
 - a. It appears that we might have a bad winter; therefore, teachers are preparing lessons for E-learning days. Materials may be coming home soon from teachers that you can save until needed. Information will be communicated through email also.
 - b. Parent/ Teacher Conferences coming up soon. Please make sure you have one scheduled and review your day and time. Teachers are excited to talk about your students.
 - c. World Cultural Fair was a huge success. Thank you for your efforts. Teachers and staff had a wonderful time.
4. President's Report:
 - a. WCF was wonderful. 1st Quarter PTA events went fabulous. Thank you all for your help and participation.
 - b. The Illinois PTA is taking a vote on November 23rd about a proposal to have guns in Illinois schools. To learn more about the issue and the stance of the Illinois PTA you can visit their website. There will also be information about it in our next Monday email.
 - c. PDAC will be discussing advocating for LGBT students in their January meeting.
5. Vice President's Report: Folder stickers are still for sale if you are interested after the meeting. Directory Spot has not been sent out yet. The School District was recently hacked and has since changed their policy on giving out personal information. They will no longer be giving our PTA the information needed to include all students in Directory Spot. Moving forward this year the PTA will be making a member only directory spot. Sorry for the delay.
 - a. Committee Chair Updates:
 - Gift card forms due this Friday.
 - b. The last open committee chair has been filled. Lauren Romero is taking over STEAM Night. Please email her with help or suggestions. We need cardboard boxes for STEAM night to create an interactive cardboard playground.
 - c. We also need more people to sign up to bring food to parent teacher conferences. Please bring sides, salads and dessert to school by 3pm on the day you sign up for.
 - d. Trivia Night sign up will open right after thanksgiving break. Cash bar, prizes, teams of 6 – 10, \$40 donation covers cost of space, trivia, light appetizers and desserts.
Motion to approve Becky to spend up to \$3000 for planning event was moved and passed.
 - e. After School Enrichment planning is going well. Draft class list was given to Exec. Board. If anyone needs financial aid, we have some scholarship money offered by the businesses and the PTA. Volunteers still needed to help. Volunteers get early registration. Safety protocol for dismissal need to be planned. Goal is to have parents pick children up in classrooms.
6. Unfinished Business
 - f. LMC Redesign Committee working on proposal and making good progress. Hoping to have hard copy to show everyone at next PTA meeting. We need someone to write a grant for \$ for LMC project. There are links to grants on school furniture websites that we can apply for.

7. Treasurer's Report: Fun Run goal was met. Students will be getting their reward to see MR. Rust get pie in the face at an assembly at the end of the week.
 - a. Financial Report: At the end of October, we had \$4000 in cash. The \$1000 that we set aside for the Mystery of Science program was not needed so those funds went to the LMC project and helped buy new tables for the LMC. Since the blacktop needs to be resurfaced, the stencil sensory path was painted onto the sidewalk next to the playground.
8. New Business
 - a. Scholarship Fund can be a new committee if we can find someone to chair it. This year \$340 was set aside for scholarships to PTA activities that are not free. We have \$300 left over from the World Cultural Fair that could be used for Scholarships if approved.
 - b. SchoolStore.com is a new fundraising website that the PTA is using. Simply go to their website and shop. A percentage will be donated back to your chosen charity (Brookdale PTA). A link to their website will be in an upcoming PTA email.
 - c. Surplus WCF Funds: Motion to move extra WCF money to Scholarship Fund. Motion was moved and passed for the left over \$300 to be used for scholarships for Afterschool Enrichment and Spring Fling.
 - d. PTA Student Group: Annette from WCF says thank you to the students who helped her prep crafts and signs for the WCF. She has an idea to create a PTA student club that is teacher sponsored. This would need a chair person if created. The current PALS group could be a start to the idea but we would need to talk with Ms. Czajka
 - e. Upcoming Events: Every year the PTA has a guest Speaker. We would like to have one at our next meeting on January 28, 2020. Please let us know if you have any suggestions on speakers or topics. Thank you.
9. Meeting Adjourned at 8:07pm

Attendees:

Mary Howicz, Layenie Grace, Megan Happ Gargas, Rebecca Yonan, Caryn Phelan, Joanie Brooks, Megan Hofbauer, Jen Louden, Heather McLean, Kim Miracle-Gray, Becky McDowell, Jen Surma, Carol Gaines, Monica Scarpino