April 9, 2024

**NWGMS PTSO Executive Board/Committee Chair Meeting NOTES**

**Attendance:** Mrs. Francisco, Ben Davis, Seon Evans, Carrie McDonald, Jessica Clements, Erin Travland, Carla Mateer, Dana Angel, Audry Ellis, Kathy Hartman, Rachael Foy

Welcome             *Rachael Foy*

Approval of March Minutes- approved!

Old Business

**-**Spirit Wear Spring Sale – going well!

**-**St. Patty’s Green Snack Gift Baskets for Staff- these were great! Staff enjoyed!

**-**Blaze Pizza Restaurant Night- will try again, this wasn’t very successful this time

**-**World’s Finest Chocolate Fundraiser- overall went very well! Big thanks to all the volunteers who helped and the kids for doing a great job selling! 7 students haven’t turned in their money yet; Mrs. Franciso will reach out to them; 430 boxes were sold! Will announce the final amount raised soon!

Administration & Teacher Representative Updates             *Denise Francisco, Greta Martin, Ben Davis, Seon Evans, James Lynch*

* The World’s Finest Chocolate Fundraiser Party will be on 4/30; teachers will need a list of students who are allowed to attend; need to confirm the location/time, will it be by grade level, do we need parent help to supervise?
* Report cards will be sent today
* Dr. Evans is working with teachers to confirm A, A/B honor roll, Perfect attendance, and Growth awards list
  + perfect attendance means no absences (even excused absences)
* Mr Davis thanked the PTO volunteers for helping to count the money for the penny wars; they raised about $300; the photo booth was a hit
* Summer school will be held at our school for rising 6th graders only
* Bus registration is in process; please contact the data manager if you have any difficulty registering.
  + All students who will be riding the bus next year need to register (even if you already have a bus stop this year)
  + The transportation window opens online at [www.gcsnc.com](https://app.perfectforms.com/PresentationServer/App.aspx/Play/ezSmAgEp?f=ezSmAgEp) on April 8 and closes on May 31. You are encouraged to register as soon as possible. Registration forms submitted after the deadline are not guaranteed to be routed in time for the first day of school.
* The remediation testing date will be June 10th; Retesting will be June 11th – there are specific criteria for students to qualify for remediation or retesting
* May 9th 5-6:30 pm  - Cultural Family Night

Budget Updates                       *Kathy Hartman*

* If you have any receipts that you haven’t turned in, please do so as soon as possible so we can have an accurate budget for the rest of the year
* PTO paid for BrainPOP and Gimkit (20 licenses); will not renew Gimkit next year

Committee Reports

**-**Mini Grants (Email sent 4/2)                                          *Executive Board*

* All teachers – please turn in your stipend requests and mini-grant proposals no later than May 13th

**-**Hospitality (4/25 Death by Chocolate, Teacher Appr 5/6-10) *Jessica Clements, Erin Travland*

* Death by Chocolate – April 25th (sign-up genius will go along with bookfair)
* Teacher Appreciation Week – May 6th -10th
  + May 6th – massage chair and water bar
  + May 7th – donuts and coffee/tea
  + May 8th – Chick-fil-A gift card
  + May 9th – Nacho Bar during lunch - \*\* need to organize duty-free lunch\*\*
  + May 10th – Ice cream truck
* Need to confirm if we will have a yard sign that week

**-**Beautification (4/21 2-4 pm)                               *Lauren Bankston*

* Maybe contact High School Beautification to let them know about the mess near the parking lot/behind the high school mobiles
* Can we clean up trash near the road, and the greenway back to the baseball fields
* tidy up the flowerbeds

**-**Membership                                      *Jennifer Smith*

**-**Fundraising (Waiting to announce final amount raised for WFC, *Alicia Nelson*

7 students owe, will subtract prize $ from current total)

**-**Sponsorship                                                             *Megan Dyson*

**-**Communications               *Carla Mateer*

* will promote bus rider registration

**-**Spirit Wear (Book Fair & 5/16)            *Paige Riordon, Dana Angel, Carla Mateer*

* Did the last order for the year; the Spring sale is going well

**-**Spotlight (04/12, 05/17)           *Kathy Hartman*

* This Friday is the next spotlight breakfast; please consider donating
* May 17th is the last one for the year

**-**Food Drive/Advocacy *Rachael Foy, Jessica Clements, Dana Angel*

**-**Book Fair(Preview 4/24-26, Fair 4/29-5/3, Family Night 4/30

Home Slice Food Truck, sign up for gift baskets)

*Paige Riordon,Dana Angel, Hannah Adams, Tessa Kriegler*

* Will have a signup genius for volunteers to help in the mornings and also sell spirit wear during family night
* World theme
* Delivery will be 4/22; will start decorating on 4/23
* Instead of smaller prizes would like to do one big prize– thinking of doing a big TV; estimated cost $350; may get a sponsor for this
* Homeslice will be at bookfair Family night – full menu available!

**-**8th Grade Ceremony Decor/EOY Grade Level Celebrations

(met 3/18, gathering quotes for Field Day food/dessert, Field Day DJ booked, Graduates Yard Sign booked)

*Audrey Ellis, Jennifer Smith, Melissa Brooks, Wendy Lee, Dana Angel, Luci Milam, Erin Travland, Kim Murdock, Carla Mateer, Amanda Rothenburger*

* June 5th field day for 8th grade
* Committee is meeting to organize

**-**8th Grade Dance (6/6, Hawaiian theme, evening)                            *Erin Travland*

(School wide dance with Student Council 4/12,

masquerade theme, right after school)

* School wide dance will be 4/12 in the gym; need parents from 4-6 to help; concession stand will be available
* 8th grade dance will be 6/6 in commons area; need to confirm students need to buy tickets
* We have $2,000 in the budget to cover all end-of-grade celebrations (6th, 7th, and 8th)

**-**Birthday Signs     *Dana Angel*

**-**Viking Quarterly Awards (4/12)                              *Carrie McDonald, Dara Barnes*

* will be doing 3rd quarter awards this Friday
* need teachers to communicate to students if they qualify for an award; would be great if the students show their one card when they come to the table; will having treats available during lunchtime; homeroom teachers and lunchtime teachers should know who gets a prize
* If a student thinks they get a prize but they aren’t on the list, write down their name and then give it to Dr. Evans and she will check to confirm; will do a follow-up day for students who earned a treat but didn’t get one during the scheduled time (absent or weren’t on the list but should have been) They can come to the office at pick something out

Announcements

**-**NW Viking Pole Flags, JNA Signs of Stokesdale Estimate

Double sided 24’ wide x 60’ tall, one per pole, 5 poles,

Hardware ($75.85) & Graphic ($73.80) included in price: $149.65 each flag. Material will last at least a year, depends on the weather/direct sunlight.

* + - Would like to tie this into sponsorship flags if we can
    - will see if we have enough funds to cover this

**-**Please notify the board of your intentions to serve as an Executive Board

Member or Committee Chair for the ’24-’25 school year. Executive Board

Officers (Pres, all VPs, Sec, Treas) may serve 3 consecutive years max

and committee chairs are not restricted. Nominations will formally begin

in April, website is being updated for this now.

Adjournment