



PTO Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2026

1:00 p.m.

Attendees: Kimbra Stoudemier, Chasidy Armstrong, Emily Dunlevy, Lindsey Adams, Jessica Palm, Jenna Smith, Amber Demetri, Kara Hoffman, Michael Putnam, Brooke Klausmier, Andrea Winkler, Alicia Salem, Kate Spencer, Jennifer Oakley, Jessica Washam, Elissa Weiser-McVeigh, Chloe Castleman, Jennifer Bohannon, Colby Hall

Welcome

Principal Updates: Mrs. Spenner

Mrs. Spenner: Announced that WHES exceeded expected student growth and proficiency expectations, earning an A+ for student growth. Hopes to celebrate this accomplishment with a pep rally for the school with the help of staff/PTO involvement.

Business: Kimbra Stoudenmier & Chasidy Armstrong

Summer Spending Updates:

- Whiteboards/TV project is complete. Completed through Boosterthon fund carry over.
- Safety enhancements, including window tinting updates, completed.
- Playground Paint- remains in progress. Would need to be completed after hours, and weather permitting. Suggestions for a “painting party” amongst PTO were mentioned. Hoping to work towards our goal of playground shades/canopies.
- PTO meetings have now been moved to Tuesdays at 1 PM.

Social Media: Emily Dunlevy

- Monthly Newsletter Debut: First Newsletter has been sent out. Wanting to increase social media presence with continued posts and flyers created by Emily. She and Jessica Clark are coordinating and are making plans to post Lost and Found items on social media weekly.

Fundraising: Mike Putnam

- HawkFund: Hawk Fund- Will Run 9/1-9/13, direct giving event. All funds will come back to the PTO. We are hoping to fulfill a huge need for our school by providing curriculum enhancements and classroom support each year for all classrooms. This impacts all the students and staff at our school by providing high quality tools and programs to support learning, engagement and achievement. Current status as of today: 7,000.00. Going well. 35% of the way to goal.
- Sponsorships: Working on getting more information out on this. Will be working with Jessica Palm
- Teacher Grants- Communication has been sent out to all teachers for requests. Two application windows: Fall/Spring. PTO will review and select projects for funding.

Budget: Lindsey Adams

- Income:
 - Boosterthon- decreased to be conservative – \$30,000.00. We were short last year mainly due to ice/snow storms).
 - Hawkfest- \$6,000.00 came short last year, a decreased amount to reflect this.
 - Spirit Wear- We now get a portion of sales (\$2/item) from the new company so reflected in our new number of \$150.00 (spending mainly on samples and display).
- Spending:
 - Increased professional development for additional staff training- \$4,000 for current budget year. Staff appreciation- increased to \$7,500.00 to reflect true spending- many PTO members were using their own money to support this.

WHES PTO Proposed Budget 2026-2027									
Spending	Proposed 25/26 Budget	25/26 Actual	*26-0027 Allowance		Proposed 25/26 Budget				
					Actual	Variance	*26-27 Allowance		
Fundraisers	\$11,050.00	\$10,777.71	\$11,550.00		Fundraisers	\$76,190.00	\$79,488.95	\$3,571.24	\$68,600.00
HawkFund(Annual Campaign)	\$250.00	\$130.24	\$250.00		HawkFund(Annual Campaign)	\$20,000.00	\$19,586.67	-\$293.57	\$20,000.00
Boosterthon	\$1,800.00	\$1,629.06	\$1,800.00		Boosterthon	\$35,000.00	\$38,858.50	\$4,029.44	\$30,000.00

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Club Spending	\$450.00	\$376.55	\$500.00						
Odyssey of the Mind	\$200.00	\$183.50	\$200.00						
Music/Chorus	\$150.00	\$193.05	\$200.00						
Club Allowance	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00						
School Events	\$11,250.00	\$6,934.61	\$1,450.00						
Open House	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00						
Boo Hoo & 5th Grade Breakfast	\$350.00	\$381.77	\$400.00						
Spirit Wear	\$10,000.00	\$5,650.27	\$100.00						
Staff T-Shirts	\$900.00	\$902.57	\$950.00						
School Needs	\$9,000.00	\$27,820.36	\$9,000.00						
School Safety	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00						
Landscaping/Beautification	\$6,000.00	\$6,902.41	\$6,000.00						
Yearbook	\$0.00	\$2,605.36	\$0.00						
Misc/Additional Projects	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00						
Special Project-Boosterthon	TBD	\$18,312.59	TBD						
Teacher/Staff Appreciation	\$9,100.00	\$7,890.85	\$10,500.00						
Staff Appreciation	\$6,000.00	\$5,007.36	\$7,500.00						
Holiday Cheer	\$3,100.00	\$2,883.49	\$3,000.00						
PTO Operating Expenses	\$2,635.00	\$2,349.53	\$2,975.00						
Sunshine Committee	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00						
Bank Charge(Switched to eStatements)	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$150.00						
Insurance	\$535.00	\$566.00	\$575.00						
Tax Preparation Fees	\$500.00	\$385.00	\$500.00						
Website	\$250.00	\$249.38	\$250.00						
PTO Misc.	\$750.00	\$917.52	\$1,000.00						
Office Supplies/Other	\$200.00	\$10.66	\$200.00						
PTO Shirts	\$200.00	\$220.97	\$200.00						

24/25 Pending Summer Projects	\$14,466.96	\$9,144.37							
Laminator,Pillars, Staff Support(Office Support)	\$2,539.97	\$2,539.97							
Popcorn Machine	\$426.99	\$426.99							
Interior Painting	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00							
Playground Updates	\$5,000.00	\$1,677.41							
Technology/Classroom STEM Items	\$2,000.00	\$0.00							
Totals (Spending)	\$105,276.96	\$97,247.97	\$91,300.00		Totals (Income)	\$95,390.00	\$98,935.01	\$9,167.37	\$80,250.00
25/26 Carryover Projects	\$43,500.00								
Safety Film	\$25,000.00								
General Playground Updates	\$5,500.00					25/26 Approved	-\$11,286.96		
TV's	\$10,000.00					25/26 EOY Actual	\$6,219.93		
Stipend Rollover to Office Support	\$3,000.00					26/27 Est.	-\$1,882.63		
Total 25/26 Spend w/Carryover Projects	\$148,776.96								

- Vote on 26/27 budget- Emily Dunlevy made a motion to approve. **unanimous approval**

Secretary: Nominate and Vote person into position

- Emily Dunlevy makes a motion to vote in Jessica Palm as secretary. Unanimous approval

Events: Marcy Pippin (not present) & Kara Hoffman

- Playground Palooza: Playground Palooza event on 9/11. Lots of vendors. Inflatable obstacle course, kickball, soccer, basketball, coloring, bubbles, music, and more. Food and treats will be available for purchase from the Glizzies By The Lake and Mister Softee LKN

food trucks. Needing volunteers to help with stations. Sign Up Genius will be sent out for volunteer sign ups to help with stations.

Spirit Wear: Katie Eller (not present). Presented by Chasidy Armstrong

- Online platform now- Cut From The Heart Spirit Wear Website for our school. \$2/item given back to school. We can use it for staff gear or get a check written to PTO. Currently 48 items are sold.
- We were able to sell a surplus of shirts at Open House. Square payments: 2,122.98 and 271.00 in cash which profited: \$2393.98
- Going to try to sale our inventory of old spirit wear at Playground Palooza. May discount winter items this winter and update Cheddar Up to give an option of online ordering.

Staff Appreciation: Chasidy Armstrong, Amber Demetri & Jenna Smith

- First Teacher Appreciation Event today, 9/3. Sweet T's lemonade truck showed up to serve teachers. Went well. Got great feedback.
- Charcuterie/Snack boxes next month. Possibly outsourcing to create the boxes. Emily commented that she can check on pricing/costs.

Spirit Nights: Chasidy Armstrong

- Chick-fil-A 8/17: First Spirit night took place at Chick-fil-A 8/17. Profited \$652.35 in food credit.
- Next spirit night will take place at Rita's from 12-10 PM. Celebrity scoopers info to come.
- Currently seeking a chair person for this position.

Supply Kits: First Day Kits. If we commit by Oct 1st, we will get 5 free kits.

- Brought in \$825 last year.
- No negative feedback provided.
- Unanimous vote to renew contract.

Yearbook: Brooke Klausmier & Amanda Northam

- Continuing to use Tree Ring again this school year.
- 411 yearbooks were sold last school year. 43 were after the school deadline.

- Discussed increasing student involvement: Propose possible club for Yearbook involving 5th grade class.
- This year students will get a chance to do a “Yearbook Cover Contest”. More info to come with that. Planning to collaborate with our art teacher for this.

Lost & Found: Jessica Clark

- All lost and found clothing is donated after 4 weeks. Water bottles/lunch boxes are discarded after 2 weeks.

Birthday Rock & Spirit Rock: Andrea Winkler

- 70% of slots filled. \$885.00 in profit.
- Hoping to get a 5th grade design competition on the bigger rock. There’s a possibility our art teacher, Ms. Lugar will be helping with designs/painting the spirit rock in the future with a mention of possible student involvement. More information to come.

Additional Questions From the Floor

- Andrea suggested a LEGO/Mosaic idea for the students. Great for student involvement.
- Emily mentioned the idea of possible fence design with cups in the future to bring more school spirit.
- Student after school clubs brought up. We would need to find teachers to lead clubs and in the past that has been difficult as teachers aren’t paid extra to lead clubs.. We will have to discuss this more if we get teacher involvement. We do currently have a budget line for after school clubs (\$100/club) but could increase this if needed.

UPCOMING PTO DATES

September 11- Playground Palooza 5-7pm

September 16- Rita’s Spirit Night 12-10pm. Celebrity Scoopers info to come.

October 6- PTO Meeting at 1:00

October 7- Shoal’s Grill Spirit Night 5pm-9pm

*****Minutes approved by PTO Board on 9/10/26**