

# Washington Elementary PTO 2024-2025

## October Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2024 - 7:00 pm / PTO Meeting / Meeting called by Nikki Kilbane

### **Board Members:**

President - Nikki Kilbane / Vice President - Sarah Myers / Treasurer - Erin Miller / Assistant Treasurer - Pauline Puttmann / Secretary - Stacey Glatz / ISPTO - Tara Roe and Erin Howell / Teacher Liaison - Kelly Riley

### **Attendees:**

Monica Campana, Nikki Kilbane, Sarah Myers, Erin Miller, Pauline Puttman, Stacey Glatz, Kelly Riley, Lauren Giffin, Casey Estopp, Allison Garcia, katie Rings, Danielle Zaksajek, Bry Ferrell, Mandy Kanzigg, Anne Davis, Gwen Graham, Megan Combs, Jenny Wilks

### **Agenda:**

#### **1. PTO meeting called to order by Nikki Kilbane at 702pm**

#### **2. Principal Update**

- Town Hall was focused on perseverance and being a resilient learner
- Field trips are happening!
  - 10/22 - 5th grade girls went to COSI for Girls in Tech day and the boys went to learn about local businesses in Hilliard
  - Kindergarteners are going to Kulhwein's Farm on 10/23
  - 2nd grader are going to Darby Creek Metro Park to see the Bison
- The Walk-a-Thon was a HUGE success!
- McTeacher Night was also a HUGE success!
- Teachers have been hitting it out of the park with lessons, activities and classroom time
- Coming Up Next:
  - Spirit week (Oct 28-Nov 1) designed by the 3rd grader Wolfpack
  - Rox program begins soon - this is a girl empowerment program
  - Guys with Ties program also begins soon - this is a complementary boy program
  - Parent/Teacher conferences will be the week of Nov 4th and will include VIP lunches (Nov 6th, 7th and 8th) and the book fair. Look for a sign up genius coming soon for volunteers for crowd control for the VIP lunches.

- Veterans Day Celebration will be on Monday, Nov 11 and will include a musical performance by the 3rd graders who have been enthusiastically practicing often!

### 3. Committee Updates

- Walk-a-thon
  - Total funds raised so far are \$25398.66 - we have met our goal and this is the most successful walk-a-thon we've ever had!
  - Since we've met our goal, the students will be able to participate in some great incentives coming soon!
    - Bingo on Tuesday, Nov 26
    - Teachers have been signing up for their classroom popcorn parties (and will need volunteers to help pop popcorn on those days)
    - Silly String the teachers will be on Fri, Dec 20 before the Winter Luncheon
  - Online donation website will close on Friday, 10/25
  - We will renew the website for next year and will receive a discount for doing so this early
  - Congrats to Katie and Emily on an amazing event!
- Spirit Nights
  - Oct 15: McTeacher Night was a huge success and we raised over \$500 in 2 hours!
  - Nov 5: Chipotle
  - Nov 14: Rock & Jump (\$5 per student gets donated back to the school)
  - [AR Workshop Spirit Event](#) - this will end Nov 1 and items will be delivered before Thanksgiving Break
- Spirit wear
  - We are pressing pause on the spirit wear and are looking into a better option for a site that will stay open all year, offers home delivery and will allow us to create our own designs. Stay tuned!
- Conference Night - late night is Nov 7
  - PTO will be providing a catered taco bar
  - Look for a sign up genius for opportunities to donate desserts and drinks as well
- Winter Luncheon (Friday, Dec 20)
  - Tables and tablecloths have been ordered
  - Decor and playlists are set
  - Invites and RSVP's are ready to go (we are just waiting on a final list of the class times)
  - We will be ordered food again from Panera

- Students lunches are FREE (and will have 3 options to choose from)
  - Parent lunches are available for purchase for \$15 (and will have 3 options to choose from)
  - Panera prices went up - last year we spent \$1355.16 on students lunches and this year that cost will increase to over \$1800. Parent order form will have an option to donate extra if they'd like. We are still within budget for this event.
- We will not have high school helpers this year
- 5th graders want to raise funds for their class parties, yard signs and a gift to be given back to Washington. They will meet with Ms. Compana to discuss some options
  - Ideas have been a candy gram that Winter Luncheon guests can purchase for students to have on their first day back from break, caroleing, selling care packages for senior centers, etc.
- Room Assistants
  - A huge thank you to all of the room assistants who came early to the walk-a-thon to help with stickers!!!
- Washington Gives Back will have a kick off for the holiday season soon
- Publishing shop - no updates
- ISPTO - no reps attended the PTO meeting - will look for an update from Oct and Nov ISPTO in our Nov meeting
- Wolfie Way Breakfasts - we are looking for help to work with Pauline on this event. Shopping and delivering food and especially with set up and clean up (730am-930/10am one Friday/month). A sign up was sent around - if you are interested in helping, please contact the PTO
- Washington Family Game Night (March) - is anyone interested in coordinating this?
- Spring Auction - Mr. Stephens is interested in making popcorn bowls with all of the studnts instead of plates this year

#### **4. Special Guest**

- Mrs. Graham wants to thank the PTO for the approval of her mini-grant to purchase 6 wobble stools for her classroom. They are used daily and are a great addition to her classroom as her other ones were falling apart.

#### **5. Treasurer's Report**

- Walk-a-thon money is still coming in - money from the website hasn't arrived yet since it's still open through Friday, Oct 25
- Spirit night from McDonald's brought in over \$500

- We had a little money come in from the sale of vintage spirit wear on Wolfie Welcome as well as some pre-worn donations that were sold at the fall social
- We've sent in the deposit for the Chiller event
- The teachers have started using their classroom budgets
- Mini grants have been coming in and evaluated by the board. As a reminder these grants will be assessed and approved by the board on a first come first served basis until the money in that budget line has run out.
- Field trips have been coming in as well. Our budgets basically cover the bussing and parents are asked to cover ticket costs if applicable. ALL students will be able to attend the field trips, even if parents are unable to cover the costs.
- Artist and Community funds are still available - check with Kelly Riley with ideas
  - We already have 2-3 large school mosaics being made by students this spring

## 6. Final Items

- Veteran families at Washington have been invited to the Nov PTO meeting
- We will be using a video of the 3rd grade's singing performance to send to seniors who cannot make it to our event. The students also make cards - some will be given out to the guests at the event on Nov 11 and some will be kept and given to those veterans who were unable to attend.
- Motion to donate \$200 to the levy campaign was made by Nikki Kilbane
  - First: Stacey Glatz
  - Second: Sarah Myers
  - All in favor, no one opposed

## 7. Questions

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## 8. Adjournment

- Motion made by Nikki Kilbane to adjourn the meeting
  - First: Pauline Puttmann
  - Second: Erin Miller
  - All were in favor/ no one opposed, the meeting was adjourned @ 750pm
  - Next PTO Meeting will be Tuesday, November 19th in the IDC at 7pm

\*\*\*If you would like to be a volunteer with programming within the school or with the PTO, you will need a volunteer badge. You can register here: [Secure Volunteer | Get Started Now](#)

## 2024-2025 PTO Meetings

All PTO meetings will be held in the IDC from 7:00-8:00 pm. Meeting dates are:

- August 27th
- September 24th
- October 22nd
- November 19th
- January 28th
- February 25th
- March 25th
- April 29th

**Event Calendar 24/25**

<b>August</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 19: Wolfie Welcome Day 4:30-6 p.m.</li> <li>● 21: First Day of School</li> <li>● 27: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2: No School, Labor Day</li> <li>● 24: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> <li>● 27: Fall Social 4-6:30 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 11: Walk-A-Thon- during school day</li> <li>● 18: No School; Central Ohio In-Service Day</li> <li>● 22: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5: No School; Professional Learning Waiver Day</li> <li>● 7: Parent Teacher Conferences</li> <li>● 19: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m</li> <li>● 27-29: Thanksgiving Holiday</li> </ul>
<b>December</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 20: Winter Luncheon</li> <li>● Class parties – determined by Classroom teacher</li> <li>● 23-31: No School; Winter Break</li> </ul>
<b>January</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1-3: No School; Winter Break</li> <li>● 17: Chiller Ice Skating Party, 4:40- 6:40 p.m.</li> <li>● 20: No School; Martin Luther King Day</li> <li>● 28: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 13: Winter Conferences</li> <li>● 14: No School; Parent-Teacher Conference Comp Day</li> <li>● 17: No School; Presidents Day</li> <li>● 21: Glow party</li> <li>● 25: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● *family game night/bingo night</li> <li>● 25: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 31: No School; Spring Break</li> </ul>
<b>April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1-4: No School; Spring Break</li> <li>● 18: No School</li> <li>● 29: PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5: Spring Social</li> <li>● 6: No school</li> <li>● 26: No School; Memorial Day</li> <li>● 29: Field Day, 28 (back up)</li> <li>● 30: Last day of School</li> <li>● *Need a date for the summer meet up</li> </ul>

### **2024-2025 Committees**

- Most committees would love help from anyone interested in lending a hand. All commitments can be as much or as little as you're comfortable - all help is appreciated!

Golden Paw Pass Auction	Pauline Puttmann Erin Howell will shadow
Fall Social	need a lead
Walk -a- thon	Katie Rings, Emily Todd
Spirit Wear	Molly Hecht
Conference Week Food Coordinator	Tara Roe
Winter Luncheon	Tara Roe, Lauren Giffin, Danielle Zakrajsek, Erin Howell
Chiller Skate Party	Rachel Abouhassan
Glow Party	Nikki Kilbane / Stacey Glatz
Spring Social	need a lead
Spring Social Auction	Jenny Wilks (?) / Erin Howell (software)
Washington Gives Back	Lauren Giffin, Molly Hecht
Stock the Clinic	Erin Miller
Flower Sale	Erin Miller, Bry Ferrell (look for a third person for the following year)

Spirit Nights	Kathleen Waltman (need a shadow) (add Rockin Jump)
Outdoor Movie Night/Summer Meet up	Sarah Myers
Room Assistant Coordinator	Stacey Glatz / (Rachel Abouhassan shadow)
Staff Appreciation Week	Erin Miller & Kelly Riley (need additional help)
Publishing Shop	Pauline Puttman / (Danielle shadow)
Promotions lead PTO Facebook Page/ Instagram/ flyers	Tara Roe
Winter game or bingo night	need a lead
Blurbs to Monica, running google doc.	Nikki Kilbane
Check PTO Email Regularly (secretary)	Stacey Glatz
5th Grade Sign Coordinator, end of year celebration	Stacey Glatz / Nikki Kilbane
Field Trip Funds Coordinator (treasurers)	Erin Miller / Pauline Puttmann
Communications lead for teachers - works close with Kelly Riley	