

JAMES H. WATSON PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2019 at 3:00pm



A meeting of the Watson PTO was held in the Watson Cafeteria On Tuesday, March 12th, 2019. The meeting began at 3:07pm

WATSON PTO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Kim Marksteiner - President
Merideth Bickell - Vice President
Nicole Kirincic - Co-Treasurer
Yianna Pallas - Co-Treasurer
Becki Murphy - Co-Secretary
Bruce Nelson - Co-Secretary

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Gretchen Pishkur

Michelle Lavin, Principal

WATSON STAFF PRESENT

Marcie Claesgens

Crystal Slavo
Kim Yelich
Chris Mikuly

PARENTS PRESENT

There were four (4) parents in attendance. Sign-in sheet available upon request

Next Meeting – May 14, 2019—3pm-Library

1	Meeting Called to Order—Merideth Bickell @ 3:07pm
2	Pledge of Allegiance--Michelle Lavin
3	Welcome to Watson Parents and Staff—Merideth Bickell
4	Reading and Approval of January 2019 Meeting Minutes – Bruce Nelson Motion-Claesgens Second-Yelich
5	Treasurer’s Report – Nicole Kirincic - Balance as of February 28, 2019 = \$29,603.08
6	Teacher Liaison Report
7	<p>Unfinished Business</p> <p>DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS PENNY WARS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January February 4-8th. Co-Chairs: Draga Cucuz. Thank you to Draga and Candi Witry for all your help. Parent Volunteers were asked to help count change and hand out prizes. Dollars for Scholars is LC Corp. wide. Elementary and Middle Schools do a change drive and classes compete against each other for small prizes. Monies raised from this event go to providing college scholarships for Watson alumni. A Sign-Up Genius was emailed out so parents can sign up to help. Volunteers were needed every day from 2/4-2/8 from 9am-11am. Watson raised \$1795.99 1st Place Class-Mrs Walker 2nd Place Class-Mrs. Olenik 3rd Place Class-Mrs Zollman <p>La Quesadilla Fundraiser Night Wednesday, February 13, 2019 11:00am-9:00pm La Quesadilla Mexican Grill 10% of all sales (carry out and dine in) was donated to Watson. Total raised; \$300.00</p>

	<p>CLASSROOM VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parties were held on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 1:30 pm. Parents will be allowed access to the classrooms at 1:10 pm. No peanuts or peanut products policy in effect due to allergies <p>FAMILY NIGHT OUT—Silly Safari</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our Annual PTO sponsored Family Night Out was February 25, 2019 from 6-7pm Silly Safari is A LIVE animal show that is a perfect blend of fact and fun for all ages. They performed several shows during the day and a night presentation on Feb. 25th. This is paid for entirely by the PTO and is free to all Watson families. We had a fantastic turn out, thank you to all the families that came out to watch the show. <p>Spring Fundraiser with Kleinmann—Cookie Dough, wrapping paper, catalog items, and Chocolate Easter Bunnies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kick off—February 25th during Lunch time Similar to last year's fall fundraiser. All items will arrive in time for Easter gifting. Orders are due March 12th. Watson makes 40%. Brochures were passed out to students on the 25rd following the assembly. Prizes involves a Video Game Truck Sky Zone passes, limo ride and lunch, and a drawing for a bike! <p>KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PTO has \$350 budgeted for registration supplies/and books for the incoming students. March 13-14th PTO has out a sign up genius for helpers
9	<p>STAFF REQUESTS AND RECENT EXPENDITURES- Nicole Kirincic</p> <p>Staff Reimbursement</p> <p>Tiered schedule, proper forms and receipts must be submitted. All items must benefit the students and are the property of Watson. Reimbursement deadline is May 1, 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff Reimbursements as of February 28: \$2,238.92 RECENT EXPENDITURES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read Across America-\$177.66 Staff Reimbursements- \$250.00 Student Assembly-\$800.00 Super student tokens-\$150.00 2nd Grade flexible seating-\$363.04
10	<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p>PTO NIGHT OUT-Wolves Game</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 6, 2019 7:00pm Chicago Wolves Vs Colorado Eagles Open to all families. Tickets have a discounted price of \$20.50 per ticket. There is a hot dog and drink voucher for \$6.00 Each person who attends will receive a free Chicago Wolves hat Ticket forms went out Monday March 11th and are due back Friday March 22nd. <p>4TH GRADE END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date of the party: Thursday, May 30th, 2019. A meeting is planned for March 20th, at 5:30 at Michels in St John. DragaCucuz and Candi Witry will be co-chairing this event Please contact Kim Marksteiner if you are interested in planning/donating an item/attendingswatsonpto7@gmail.com A letter was sent home to all 4th grade students with this information as well as requesting their t-shirt size for their special 4th Grade t-shirts paid for by PTO.

	<p>BOUNA BEEF FUNDRAISER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday April 25th through Sunday April 28th • We will receive 20% of all proceeds • You must have the flier or show it on your phone. <p>FIELD DAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTO will be assisting with volunteer & snack coordination for Field Day. • Date:Thursday May 30th • A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out shortly. <p>NOMINATION FORMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination forms will be going out to all families the first full week in April. • NEW EVENT CO-CHAIRS ARE NEEDED! Talk to any Co-chair from this year and they will tell you they had a great experience! Join the fun! • Please fill out and return your nomination forms by April 26, 2019. • New board members will be inducted at the May 14th PTO meeting at 3pm in the Library. • New event chairs will be introduced at the May 14th PTO meeting. • We need a Box Top Coordinator for the 2019/2020 year. <p>STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff Appreciation Week will be held May 6th-May 10th. • Kristi Czaja and Barbie Livingston have agreed to co-chair this event. • Staff Appreciation involves a special activity each day of the week to let Staff know how much we appreciate them. • A flyer with details and a Sign-Up Genius will be going out soon. <p>THIRD QUARTER REWARD will be given out the week of March 21st. *Earbuds</p>
11	<p>UPCOMING PTO EVENTS—Yianna Pallas</p> <p>March 25th-March 29th--Spring Break</p> <p>April 6th- Watson Night Out- Wolves Vs Colorado Eagles Game 7:00pm</p> <p>April 25th-28th- Buona Beef Fundraiser</p> <p>May 6-May10—STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK</p> <p>May 14—Last PTO Meeting of the Year—3pm in the Library. Childcare Provided.</p> <p>June 3, 2018—4th Grade END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION</p> <p>May 30th—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</p>
12	Parent and Teacher Comments
13	Thank you for coming Prize—Becki Murphy Sandy Wiltbren Cindy Rhoades
14	Adjourn Meeting—ACTION REQUIRED Motion-Pishkur Second-Claesgens