**WILDE PTO MEETING**

**OCTOBER 16, 2012**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order**: 6:34 p.m.
2. **Members Present**: Bill Hopkins, Jennifer Glant, Lisa Jolliffe, Laura Nielsen, Matthew Guinn, Lori Reynhout, Lisa St. Aubin-Pantea, Brad Pantea, Vicki Brostenianc, Anna Clower, Daneice Robinson, Jennifer Cooney, Regina Thomas, Ed Chake, Rich Kopas, Lore Busch, Kelly Bellew, Diane Golden, and Mrs. Simmons.
3. **Treasurer’s Report:** Motion to accept by Jennifer Cooney and seconded by Rich Kopas.
4. **Title One:** Program is up and running. Invitations went home with students who participate in program regarding a meeting scheduled for Oct. 22nd.  The meeting will discuss the services Title I has to offer to students and answer any questions parents may have.
5. **Correspondence**: None.
6. **Addition to Agenda**

None.

1. **Old Business**
   1. **Fun Run:** Raised $10,375, minus expenses of $1,100 with a total profit of $9,275.
   2. **Fall Harvest:** Had a fantastic turnout despite the rainy weather. We made more in presale this year at $2,220. Sales at the door sales were $1,342.91. The event brought in a profit of slightly over $1,250. Thanked all the volunteers that helped make this a wonderful event. Also the National Honor Roll Society student volunteers were a great big help. Special thanks to the Newsome family for volunteering their MC services, free of charge, and entertaining the kids with their fun costumes and great music during Trunk n Treat. Motion to give the Newsome family a $25 gift card to Red Robin as a thank you for volunteering their time and music equipment accepted by Jennifer Cooney and seconded by Rich Kopas. Motion accepted by all.
   3. **Red Ribbon:** Recap the theme for the week and button the students will receive.
   4. **Santa Shop:** Everything set for December 10th to be the start of the Santa Shop. Company will give us a 5% profit of total sales. There is a $100 fund of Fun Money from the company to give students that are less fortunate. That amount could increase once we get a better idea what students are in need.
2. **New Business** 
   1. **The Closet:** Donna Liccardello, who has a 4th grader new to our school, came in to discuss “The Closet Connection” in St. Clair Shores. She wanted to give us some information regarding the “Closet” and what it is all about. The Closet ranges from Maternity, all children and adult clothing up to 5X. All items in her shop are donated items. She works with Roy O’Brien and Michigan Works. The closet is open every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30am until 12:30pm. Anybody can come in and pick up to 10 items, free of charge and no questions asked. This is her 5th year of the “The Closet” being in operation.
   2. **Michigan Green School:** Mr. Guinn and others on the committee discussed what plans they have for the school. The teachers that are chairing this committee are Mrs. Bellew and Mrs. Rozanski. There is a meeting with Rob Blehm from Market Fresh on Oct. 17th in an effort to help our school get started with a community garden. His company helps schools secure funding, materials and plants needed for the garden project. After three years, it become the school’s responsibility to maintain and upkeep garden **Recycling Center:** Flyers have gone home to students requesting caps from plastic bottles, milk containers, mayo jars, pickles tops, etc. With those caps the Green Committee would like to make a mural in the café. Also discussed was to start recycling markers, ink, paper and batteries. More information to come in the future regarding Green School.
   3. **Wilde YT Club:** Rich Kopas and Jen Moody Chair this club. This is a yearbook technology club. Seventy kids from kindergarten to 5th grade have joined this club. The club just voted on the yearbook cover and what pictures will go to print. March 4th is the deadline for pictures to be sent to Lifetouch, so yearbook can be given to students by May/June. There is a 24 page limit for the yearbook. Mr. Kopas discussed the student responsibilities, where he would like to do in the future with respect to a school newspaper, slide show and power point presentations.
   4. **Wilde Student Council:** Mrs. Neave is Chairperson and in charge of the themes to the life skills. Also on her committee are teachers Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Lamberti and Mr. Figurski. Recently elections were taken. In the works is having the Council make and decorate bins for each classroom encouraging each classroom to recycle paper. The goal is to have a parent volunteer recycle the paper for the school by either taking the bin home or at a recycling center. There was discussion on the phonebook contest sponsored by AT&T. How does our school get involved to participate? Last year’s contest gave out cash money to the school with the most phonebooks collected. Mr. Guinn will research and advise at a later date.
   5. **Holiday Season Toy Drive:** A parent asked if we do anything like Toys for Tots. The answer to that is no because we take care of our Wilde families that may be in need, plus the school already participates in a few charities like our Mitten Tree and our annual can food drive which goes to Gleaners Mr. Guinn spoke of the Eagle Scout last year that collected 480 toys for Children’s Hospital.

f. **Gleaner’s Canned Food Drive vs. Wilkerson**: Mr. Guinn spoke of what this competition is all about. He advised that information will be sent home soon. December will be timeframe for collection. Last year Wilde and Wilkerson collected between the schools 6,000-8,0000 cans. Last year our school had a promotion that if a student brought in 5 cans they received a free bag of popcorn. Would like to have some sort of promotion again for this year’s event. Will discuss further at next meeting.

g. **Building Use Groups**: When you sign up for building use, you are scheduled for that time and date only. If you miss your time and date, you cannot make it up on another date. Also you are to leave the building as you found it.

h. **WCS Blessings in a Backpack**: Bowling fundraiser. Mr. Guinn has 6 tickets at $20 each. Last year the PTO donated at this fundraiser and Mr. Guinn asked if PTO would donate again this year. Motion to donate $100 to sponsor a lane by Jennifer Cooney and seconded by Jennifer Glant. Motion accepted by all.

**IX. Principal’s Report**: Discussed Michigan Education Now and Meap. Focus on Student achievement. Discussion regarding grants given to schools, future advance technology, netbooks, tablets that can have downloadable programs that can be used with Daily 5. Also, Mr. Guinn advised that appropriate clothing should be worn because colder weather is fast approaching. Lastly, he discussed the rules students must follow regarding the Halloween parties.

1. **Adjournment**: Motion to accept by Lisa Jolliffe and seconded by Jennifer Glant 7:42 p.m.