

Wydown PTO Meeting Minutes March 10, 2025 @ 9 AM

In Attendance via Zoom: Jenny Abeles, Joanna Dinsmore, Stephanie Roberts, Jeffrey Lewis, Allison Lavender, Emily Zhou, Tahnee Whitlock, Mark Keough, Celina Haupt, Sharnice Frazier, Keith Lucco

In Person – Lori Hauseladen, Whitney Lorenz, Dr. Jordan, Betsy Meyland-Smith, Madeline Akins, Michelle Abounader, Rachel Slaughter, Emily Koehn, Chellie McLellan, Kami Waldman, Dell Villa, Carlos Espinosa

[Approval of the February PTO Meeting Minutes](#) - Kami moved to approve, Michelle with a 2nd, none opposed, meeting minutes approved

Principal's Report - Dr. Jordan

School sports – big turnout - 100 or so for track, 50 for soccer, Christine Schneiderhahn emails go out weekly so watch for those

Texted parent teacher conference notices – this week

Yearbook notice was emailed – last chance to order

Drop-off – go all the way down in front of the school or use the bus lane (for drop off only) and will be let out on end as it's also safer, plan to let students go to the field at drop off in the near future

Counselors will be coming into classrooms starting the week after spring break to revisit classroom expectations including cell phone policies, addressing issues with language regarding gender, race, religion and setting what we expect at Wydown

President's Report - Madeline Akins

Past Events

Family Skate – good turnout, around 60 skate rentals, easy event, ended up having enough volunteers

Gab & Grub 3/6 – pictures great, good weather, cookies in packages

Upcoming Events

Family Day of Service 4/6 – Jackie Stavro will send out sign-up genius

Jekyll Island Trivia Night Rescheduled to 4/11- could use some more volunteers, alcohol donated from Urban Chestnut, raffle basket gift cards donated, letters for sponsorship are going out today, have the flyer and email ready, need ticket order link to go out

Lunch & Learn April 14 (bring lunch or join on zoom!) – noon in lieu of April PTO meeting, come learn about open positions at PTO

District Update

Legislative Committee & Current Legislative Events – School Board member Leo Human is leading this, district is watching open enrollment which is the state's move to eliminate public education and how taxes are paid and assessed. These are not new things, but the speed at which they are coming out is quick, so we all need to be aware of what is happening

LRFMP Status – big picture roll out, long range things, one example of short term plan is improvements to our field, if you care then now is the time to get involved and participate in conversations, for example, are we competing with other schools without better facilities? Lots of things that could be impacting all of us. Watching the Feb 19th school board meeting is a good place to start so that you aren't misinformed.

Treasurer's Report - Michelle Abounader – full financials posted on PTO page
Financial Statement of Activity Year to Date

As of February 28, 2025 the Wydown PTO bank account has an ending balance of \$94,817.27 compared to \$95,457.96 which was last month's ending balance.
The funds of Clayton Connections (\$559.19) as well as the funds of Jekyll Island Scholarships (\$32,076.77) are restricted.

WITHDRAWALS:

Payments for events such as the Student Council's Winterfest Mixer including a Photo Booth & DJ. Also, the Skate Party on Friday, February 14. There were also miscellaneous Tshirts, Student Birthday cupcakes, Thanksgiving Pies for staff appreciation, Cookies for 6th grade, etc.

DEPOSITS:

The Spirit Store added short-sleeved blue t-shirts to the Spring inventory and sold a few items recently allowing for a transfer of \$74.70 from the Cheddar Up store account into the Commerce bank account. \$49.80 from "Box Tops" was earned and deposited to the Commerce account.

Other Topics Discussed:

ALL In COALITION – "In the Weeds" will roll out in April, a strategic plan is coming together and will be rolling out next year, working with students to scan the environment, working with health teachers and counselors to roll this out to K-12. Will have tables set up for parent teacher conferences with more information

Joanna Dinsmore – requested to send out CHS PTO recruiting email to 8th grade parents
Teacher Appreciation – Friday morning they will have snack bar and meal for teachers will be baked potato bar

Next PTO Meeting April 14, Noon - PTO Meeting, then PTO Lunch & Learn

2024-2025 Meetings (in-person and zoom option):

- 4/14, Noon
- 5/12, 9AM

Adjourned at 9:37