



## Wydown PTO

### WMS PTO Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2025, Zoom Meeting @ 9AM

**In Attendance:** Dr. Jordan, Stacey Siwak, Madeline Akins, Katie Huffman, Matt Lourie, Leo Human, Lynn Courter, Dell Villa, Kami Waldman, B. Marcell Williams, Rene Weber, Chellie McLellan, Meghan Cirrito, Whitney Lorenz, Emily Milchanowski, David Mueth, Lori Hausladen, Gina Nelson, Dennis Pierce, Toni Leopold, Brooke Lanhorne, Meghan Baggett, Shelby Hoose

#### **PTO Welcome by Madeline Akins, Co-President**

**Approval of August Meeting Minutes:** Matt Lourie motioned to approve the meeting minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Lynn Courter, none opposed so minutes were approved.

**Clayton School Board Updates:** Stacy Siwak and Leo Human – LRFP UPDATE: Board Meetings are on the board website with presentations from design teams for each building, narrowed it down to 3 areas: elementary schools, new wing at the high school, and athletic facilities (including Wydown track and field). Will have 3 community forums coming up at the Clayton HS Library, survey went out on Friday to gauge interest in the community and tax threshold for a bond issue on the ballot. A zero-tax increase would secure \$100 million, and they would like to ask a little more to do more. Please take the emailed survey from Friday. A phone survey is also going out. Leo – this group will get to see the HS improvements. 2 takeaways 1) go to a forum and provide feedback 2) April ballot measure. We need to update our school buildings to stay competitive, this will keep our home values going up. Please encourage elderly neighbors to support the tax freeze. Email the board with any questions. Next meetings are Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> and Nov 18<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at CHS Library

Upcoming Clayton School Board Election – in April, Stacey's term is expiring, may have 3 openings on the school board, Jason Grow is running for re-election, did just plan 2 informational coffees coming up.

**Wydown Principal's Report** – Amazing homecoming week, STUCCO decorated float and PTO funded decorations and candy, floats included Wydown float, Girls in Sports and ALL IN Coalition, pep rally played inside and 7/8 won the spirit stick

6<sup>th</sup> grade camp next week – Mon-Thursday this year

Panorama Survey 78% have a positive Sense of Belonging, highest percentage yet

New Cafeteria furniture will be here October 10<sup>th</sup> that will allow for more flexibility and inclusivity, moved the 9 square to in between the buildings for more patio space, may need more patio furniture to have more space

Parent Teacher Conference Link has gone out; you can always meet with teachers and team throughout the year if slot is not available for your child

### **PTO President's Report**

Volunteers and Sign-ups! – Allyson is sending out Sign-up geniuses for each event

Past Events:

Service Project: TriMyBest – thank you to Jackie, fantastic, more events will be announced soon

Sixth Grade Movie Night – success, PTO supported with concessions

Clementines Give Back- raised close to \$200 – good for community and school spirit

Upcoming Events

Roosters Give Back: 10/11 – go get coffee or breakfast

FIRST EVER!!! All School Parent Night: 10/29 – mix and mingle at this bigger community event at Clayton Wine House

### **Treasurer's Report**

Exciting Update: Funds for Excellence is up to \$16,480 so far, would like a bit more, but we are in a healthy, good position

Financial Statement of Activity Year to Date was presented and is posted with the full budget to the WMS PTO website page

**Committee Reports: Co-Chairs Wanted (on-going)**

Teacher Appreciation – Dell and Kami – Conference Week Meal and Snacks are up next, sign-up genius will go out for snacks next week to 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents, next idea for meal is a baked potato bar with soup and salad

Spirit Wear – Cara – crushing it! Needing a co-chair – please spread the word. Sold almost \$5,000 of inventory, more inventory is coming in soon

Trivia night will support every grade this year – needing a co-chair – hired trivia company, fun event, the date is February 20<sup>th</sup>.

Gab and Grub – Lori – went well, 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>, all school one, 8<sup>th</sup> grade in Nov. One more school wide one on Halloween. Dr. Jordan added in activities with more balls and things to do on the field using PTO funds. Sign-up genius will go out before each event for parent help.

School Supplies Kits – recent pay out for this year, looking into new vendor for next year

Service Projects – TryMYBest – had Wydown students there to cheer on athletes, Jackie Stavro will be sending out more dates for participation with the next opportunity

International Night – PTO is working with staff on this, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> is the date, Dennis Pierce – expressed concern for families putting out food and decorations with own money and would like us to consider charging a nominal fee to take the burden off of families participating, PTO will look at funds and will get back to Dennis and Rene about this.

Yearbook – new committee chairs – B. Marcell, Robin and Brooke are using Varsity software this year, new yearbook club is launching that will include students so please let your child know in case they are interested

PAC-Ed – Orange Out Day will be on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> to promote inclusivity

Meeting adjourned 9:47

**Next Meeting, Zoom Meeting: October 28, 2025**