10/10/22 PTO Meeting.

Welcome and introductions. Attendees: Tahnee Jackson Whitlock, Jenny Ables. Tanya Hayden, Alexandra Dunn, Cara Downs, Amber Kempf, Liz McCandless, Lori Barker, Frankie Synovec, Joanna Dinsmore, Dr. Jordan and Emily Milchanowsky.

Minutes approved from 9/19/22 meeting.

President’s report:

● Spirit wear sales are going well. PTO will be looking into new embroidered sweatshirts as a possible fundraiser. PTO will be checking with the district to affirm the businesses Wydown can order from and also having merchandise available for purchases.

● Clayton connections movie night occurred.

● Homecoming float was a huge success

● SSD Friends and Family happened at Center of Clayton and was a success. They will be having another event in November. Participants can swim, get and receive advice and support, as well as comradery. Anyone is welcome to attend from within the district. The after-school club Best Buddies is now fully sponsored and will meet 2x a month to do activities.

● The Student Council reported a successful spirit week. Future activities include decorating pumpkins, candy grams, and Winterfest. Winter fun fest will take place December 9th and there will be a need for parent volunteers. If anyone has a photobooth that will be a need as well. ● Future events for PTO:

1. Staff dinner during conferences. We are asking 6th grade families to provide soups, stews, and chili in crockpots. 7th grade will be providing bread and desserts and 8th grade snacks for the following day.

2. Gab & grub Halloween snack. This will be an opportunity for the students to socialize. 3. Wydown fundraiser at Mod Pizza November 3.

● A family service project will be taking place at Oak Knoll Park on October 29, from 9-11:30 . This is a gardening project. The city of Clayton is providing native plants to replace an invasive species that has taken over the area. The art club will be putting together an art installation. Will be reaching out to the gardening club and the Scouts.

● Scouts update: District camping trip went well. It was a competition and our troop won, the girls troop took 4th, and the cub scouts took 4th. They also won the chess tournament.

Treasurer's report:

● PTO recently received $1000 in funds for excellence.

● Spent $150 at Wydown night at the football game.

● If you are wanting to donate for 6th grade camp experience, please write a check and give it to the treasurer. Do not do it through funds for excellence or you have to pay a fee.

Principles report from Dr Jordan:

● “We are Wydown” was a huge success at the parade.

● Thank you to our community for all the extra work toward activities for our students. ● Staff is trying to increase the activity on Instagram.

● Parent teacher conferences coming up. If you can’t make it during scheduled times you can schedule on your own at any time.

● There have been some complaints from the community about the safety of students after school. Please make sure you are talking about safety and appropriate behavior with your kids while they are walking home.

● No kids returned with covid from 6th grade camp.

● Jekyll Island trip will be taking place in the spring. The cost is $600/student and there will be fundraisers going home to help. There will be a need for donations to help all students attend. Some fundraisers will be for each student and some will go in a pot for use by everyone. PTO will look at reaching out to alumni as well as Clayton Education Foundation for donations. PTO is currently set to donate $3000 for the trip. There is usually a need to assist with about %15 of total cost.

Next PTO meeting November 14th at 9:00AM.