PTO minutes 3/14/22

Welcome-approval of minutes from 2/14/22

President's report-

- There are two nominations for PTO representatives for next year to be voted on at a later date.
 - 1. Cara Downs-Co-President
 - 2. Joanna Dinsmore- Communications
- PTO is announcing two new representatives for additional roles for next year.
 - 1. Tanya Hayden-PTO council representative
 - 2. Maureen Satorius-Co-chair WMS Clayton Connections

Parent night April 22 need one more sponsor at the \$500 level.

Clayton connections-

• Clayton connections is an organization that helps families new to Wydown. There are 3 components to this organization; 1. mentorship 2. events 3. and meet and greets. In the near future there will be a call out for new mentors. Question-What are the requirements to be a mentor? Does it matter if you are fairly new as well? Answer- We just need friendly people with warm personalities to make people feel comfortable.

Spirit wear-

• Ordering process went really well. There was \$1097in orders placed

Treasure report-

- Balance \$54106.
- We have received another \$700 toward parent night.
- Funds for excellence at about 50% of what it normally runs. There will be a QR code available at the parent night for those that haven't yet donated. Question- Is there a concern that funds for excellence is so low? Answer- We usually start out the school year with a bigger push which will be done next year. One of the only things we have been spending money on is teacher appreciation. We may need to do some type of fundraiser on top of funds for excellence next year. Question- Is there a specific amount that each family should donate? Answer- No. Whatever works for your family.
- We received a refund from school supplies.

Dr Jordan-

- Parent teacher conferences are this week. Teachers can always meet about student's progress, not just during conferences.
- Definition of listening circles= pre-covid staff was working with African American students to discover how they felt about the teaching/school environment. It was then broadened to include the parents. They meet for the listening circles and have discussions about things within their culture and their experiences and a Wydown staff member takes notes to report back to Dr. Jordan. WMS is now trying to open it up to more families/cultures.

- 8th grade-Students get to go to Six Flags this year on June 1st and the parade is on the 31st.-The last day is the 2nd. The kids will have trivia day and be dismissed early. Information will be in the upcoming newsletter. We are asking for ideas for future parades if you have ideas.
- We had some great interviews for principle and we may have found someone.

Next meeting April 11 at 12:00pm