



Wilder PTSA Board of Directors Meeting  
March 10, 2011  
Art Portable

- **9:15 Call to Order**
- **Secretary's Report**
  - **Minutes**
  - **Correspondence**
  - **Wilder PTSA received thank yous from the LW levy committee for our work in supporting the levy passing.**
- **Treasurer's Report**
- **Staff Report**
  - **Staff Question:** *How have you been able to incorporate the WeatherBug into your classroom studies?*
  - **Due to changes in curriculum timing, many of the units related to weather/data have been moved from Fall to Spring. Staff are learning many ways they can incorporate data from Weatherbug into their studies. Kids are accessing the site from home, using data for graphing activities, and taking quizzes offered by the site.**
- **9:30 Principal's Report**
- **The district is using tech levy funds to purchase netbooks for all the elementary schools and have a computer to student ratio of 2-1. The netbooks are being piloted in classes this year. Next year each grade will have access to 32 netbooks.**
- **McTeacher ASB fundraiser – the staff will be working a 3-hour shift at Redmond Ridge McDonalds on April 19. 20% of proceeds will be given to Wilder ASB. Come see your teachers flipping burgers.**
- **Mr. R. will be asking for parents who would like to be part of a committee to provide input on the transition to K-5 elementary school and what that will look like next year and the following years.**
- **The staff will also be hosting "A Million in a Month". The goal is to have parents/students/staff read 1 million minutes during the month of April.**
- **Stay tuned for more information on all of these items.**
- **Mr. R. had a consultant review the sound equipment at the school to see where we can possibly purchase equipment to improve sound for assemblies, productions, class projects, etc. The report will be a 3-yr plan on how to incorporate what we have into a newer system.**

- **9:40 Committee Reports**
  - **Communications**
    - **March Newsletter due date**
    - **Due date for content is March 18**
    - **6<sup>th</sup> Grade reporters**
    - **We are excited to have 2 6<sup>th</sup> graders interested in writing for the newsletter. Elsa Miller & Chloe McDonnell**
  - **Enrichment**
    - **Play recap**
    - **Despite losing several practice days to snow, the kids did a fabulous job with the play.**
    - **Theater Budget**
    - **The majority of the sound equipment required for the play was donated by Rich Lund and his band. The savings may be used to initiate a sound equipment purchase in improve the current system.**
  - **Ways-N-Means**
    - **Motion to approve funding for Movie Night**
    - **The BOD approved a motion to provide \$500 for Movie Night so the event can be offered at no admission cost to the school community. Concessions will be sold.**
  - **Volunteers**
    - **Org Chart update/open positions**
    - **There are many open positions on the org chart for next year. Silvana and Stacy working to fill those positions.**
    - **Field Maintenance Update**
    - **The district has approved to have additional drainage put it along the 3<sup>rd</sup> baseline of the field. The work will be done March 18, assuming the weather cooperates.**
    - **Stacy is working with the district to purchase new bases for the baseball field.**
  - **LWPTSA Council**
    - **STEM School update**
    - **The current principal at ICS has been named the principal of the new STEM school. At this time it has not been determined whether the school will be 6-12 or 9-12. The district is researching successful STEM programs across the country to determine the best program for this school and to spread STEM learning across the district. More information can be found on the district website and also at [www. Washingtonstem.org](http://www.Washingtonstem.org).**
    - **Graduation Requirements**

- **The district is working on revising the graduation requirements, increasing the required credits to 24. Currently students need 22 credits. Information can be found on the district website.**
- **Nominating Committee**
- **The nominating committee presented their slate of proposed officers for the 2011-2012 school year. Members will vote on the slate at the April General Membership meeting. Co-Presidents: Heather Lund, Becky Spelman & Joy Arnquist; Secretary: Joy Glassberg; Treasurer: Heather Cramer; VPs Enrichment: Kristin Howard & Tamara Goodwin; VPs Volunteers: Jennifer Vince & Peg Jatekar; VP Communications: Wade Brewer; VPs Ways-N-Means: Deb Benton & Susan Kimmerly; VP Leg: Jason Rothkowitz (interim)**
- **President's committees**
  - **Pantry Packs**
  - **The school is involved with the local Pantry Packs program. Each week 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be filling backpacks with food for another child in the district to take home for the weekend. More information can be found: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/help58>**
  - **Parent/Teacher surveys**
  - **Parent and teacher surveys are being written and distributed. This is the first part of the process to begin planning for next year.**
  - **Golden Acorn/Silver Wolf Nominations**
  - **Michelle Hall will be leading the committee to select the recipients of the above awards. More information will be available in upcoming weeks.**
- **Legislative/Advocacy**
  - **Update on Focus Day**
  - **2 families and Mr. R. attended Focus Day.**
  - **Keep writing to your legislators! They need to know what is important to you.**
- **LWSF Update**
  - **Luncheon scheduled for April 20**
  - **Join us for this fundraiser. The foundation has a goal to raise \$200,000 to support education in the district. Contact Deb Zimmerman if you are interested in attending.**
  - **44 grants were awarded this year for over \$100,000.**