

WHSA Minutes
October 6, 2015
6:30 pm

Attendees: Katie Keller, President; Erin Allred, VP; Katie Pross, Secretary; Howard Emerson, Treasurer; Mr. Huyett, Teacher; Mrs. McCrae, Teacher; Tracy Markle; Kristi Hart; Amy Kunder; Miranda Hartman; Christie Viscariello; Nicolle Schnovel; Christina Mayer; Arlene Wiemann; Michelle Coldren; Tricia Voss; Amy Bornais; Abby Rigdon; Sarah Arnholdt; Jenn Weitzel; Ashley Lorah; Kimberly Dickerson

**President
Welcome – Katie
Keller** Katie Keller welcomed the attendees

**Principal's
Report – Dr.
Antonis** Fire and Safety Drills were performed this past month. These drills are mandated by the state. The Spring Township Fire Department was onsite to provide feedback. All drills went smoothly.

Principal's Assembly was held on 10/2. Academics from K-2 and ESL were highlighted. Next month intermediate academics will be featured.

The word of the month: Understanding.

Dates:

Fire programs K-5	10/7-10/9
Full day professional Development	10/12 & 10/13 (No school)
Picture Retakes	10/14
Fall Parties	10/30 @ 10:30
Early Dismissal	10/30 @ 11:45
Report cards available online	11/6

**Treasurer's
Report – Howard
Emerson** WHSA is financially stable with approximately \$26,000 in the account. October bills to be paid in the amount of \$6000.

Howard is meeting with a CPA about the \$5000 IRS penalty that might have been charged in error. More research is necessary. A vote for reimbursing Howard for his research was unresolved. We will readdress the issue after an outcome is reached.

Taxes are due November 5.

Forms for reimbursement are now available online at the WHSA link on the Whitfield home page.

Corn Maze – Duncan's Corn Maze scheduled for Sunday, 10/11. 127 tickets have

**(presented by
Katie Keller)**

been sold so far. The school makes \$2/ticket.

Need bake sale volunteers for both baking (2 more) and working the stand. Any baked goods should be individually wrapped. Please email Margaret with questions.

Chairperson: Margaret Kauffman (not in attendance)

**Classroom
Parties – Erin
Allred**

Parties will be taking place October 30. All homeroom parents have been informed of their yearly volunteers except for grade 5. New snack distribution will be researched due to quality issues with Redners. Dr. Antonis is willing to give us some more flexibility on types of snacks for parties.

**Staff
Appreciation –
Erin Allred**

The new committee met last week with Dr. Antonis and the Hospitality committee to divide the workload. Staff Appreciation will now host the Teacher's Luncheon. Coffee and donuts for staff meetings now falls under the new committee as well.

Donation requests: paper goods (plates, silverware, napkins, etc.), chips/pretzels/snacks, greeting cards, and condiments. Please whitfieldhsa@gmail.com for further information.

**Sweet Street –
Kristie Hart**

Kristie Hart has agreed to chair the Sweet Street Sale. Jenn Weitzel will be orienting her to the new position. The sale is scheduled for Saturday, November 14. The parking lot has been reserved. Volunteers are needed to help distribute the desserts on the pick up day. Katie Pross will send out an email to the distribution list.

**Coupon Books –
(presented by
Katie Keller)**

The orders should be filled soon. A concern was brought up by Michelle Coldren that our Coupon Books are taking too long to go out to families – perhaps we should include them with the back to school packets in the beginning of the year? Eliminating the entire Coupon Book program was also discussed. We will revisit this topic in the future.

Chairperson: Aaron Orrell (not in attendance)

**Whitfield
Directory – Katie
Pross/Rebecca
Jarzyna**

Katie and Rebecca are the new Co-Chairs for the school directory. Abby Rigdon got some information to streamline the process by using previous year's directory entries.

**Book Fair – Abby
Rigdon**

Book Fair was a success. Abby has enough books for 2 distributions during the school year. She attended a conference "Running a better book fair" and was presented with the option of using \$499 Scholastic Dollars to Skype with author Kate Messner which WHSA approved.

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Running a 3rd Book Fair during Holiday Shoppe was presented as an option and approved. 50% of sales go to the school as well as getting credit for an extra yearly Book Fair from Scholastic. We hope to give teachers the chance to make “wish lists” for book purchases.

Book Fair needs committee members. Please contact whitfieldhsa@gmail.com to volunteer!

Community Night – Katie Keller and Katie Pross	The next community night will be 11/24 at Friendly's.
Yearbook – Christina Mayer	Lifetouch yearbook pricing has decreased back to 14.50/student with 175 minimum order. Online payments will be encouraged to help streamline the ordering process. Perhaps an incentive for online ordering will be offered – pizza/ice cream party for the class with the most online orders?
Gift of Love – Abby Rigdon	Churches have been contacted about Gift of Love. Each homeroom parent needs to bring in 2 large wrapped boxes for donations. More information to follow.
Other News – Various presenters	5th grade party – Christina Mayer will chair committee with Amy Bornais, Miranda Hartman and Abby Rigdon assisting. Sunshine Committee – requests that WHSA donate gift card for a faculty member. The decided amount was \$50 so no vote was necessary. The new budget will include set amount for future faculty gifting. Family Reading Night – It was suggested that we dedicate “Family Reading Night” to the retiring Librarian, Mrs. Hasson. January dates were discussed. We will check with Jen Joiner about conflicts with retirement parties in January and schedule accordingly. Poinsettia Sale – Jake's Nursery is raising pricing for the poinsettias to \$5/plant. Sale prices will stay the same as last year. ~\$9.60/plant or 3/\$27.00. Pricing to be confirmed. Redners Receipts – Please include the entire receipt when sending in Redner's receipts. Box Tops – Reminder emails requested for the distribution list. Katie Pross will send them out.
5th Grade Report – Mr. Huyett	Student Council Elections are complete and the new Council is very excited to plan events. Pretzel day (10/15) and Spirit Day (10/23 – dress as superheroes. NO MASKS) are coming up this month. More information about these events is available on the Whitfield Website

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under Student Council

<https://sites.google.com/a/share.wilsonsd.org/student-council/>.

This year's charity has been decided, but the information has not been released until the charity approves the offer.

Track and Field Day will need volunteers. It will take place Wednesday, June 1.

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, November 3, 2015** in the Whitfield Library.