

Attendees: Katie Keller, President; Erin Allred, VP; Katie Pross, Secretary; Howard Emerson, Treasurer; Dr. Antonis, Principal; Mrs. Matten, Teacher; Mrs. Sites, Teacher; Mrs. Odagis, Teacher; Miss Bieber, Teacher; Mrs. Wylezik, Teacher; Mrs. Aarons, Teacher; Mrs. Weyman, Teacher; Mrs. Lysakowski, School Nurse; Beth Focht, Office; Tracy Markle; Kristi Hart; Amy Kunder; Miranda Hartman; Christina Mayer; Arlene Wiemann; Michelle Coldren; Amy Bornais; Abby Rigdon; Sarah Arnholdt; Jenn Weitzel; Jodi Witmer; Jenn Bilodeau; Sabrina Ciabattoni

**President
Welcome – Katie
Keller**

Katie Keller welcomed the attendees

**Principal's
Report – Dr.
Antonis**

State Mandated Fire and Severe Weather Drills were performed. All drills went smoothly.

Principal's Assembly was held on this month. Academics from 3rd-5th grade were highlighted.

Parent Teacher Conferences to be held this month.

- Parent survey related to the arrival/dismissal process will be available on Chrome Books.
- Ideas:
 - Path from upper lot to Whitfield – WHSA to fundraise?
 - Teachers at drop off encouraging students to disembark from their vehicles.
 - “One stop drop” which includes dropping off children as a unit. All cars pull up and stop, children disembark, all cars pull out, next group moves in. Concerns about making a left onto Dwight has caused a delay.
 - Possible creation of double lane for drop offs.
- Please complete the surveys during conferences to help facilitate ideas!

Superhero compliment board has been created for parents to send in compliments for staff! Papers should be coming home this week.

The new Bulldog Boutique will be appearing quarterly, starting during the February WHSA meeting. This will be a free clothing boutique for students looking for new”ish” clothes! Donations to the Bulldog Boutique can be brought into the school. More information to come.

WHSA carpooling section will possibly be included in next year's Whitfield Directory. We will address again in a future meeting.

Dr. Antonis requested that parents address concerns directly with teachers prior to contacting the principal's office. This will facilitate easier problem

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November 3, 2015
4:00 pm

solving for student/parent issues.

When distributing flyers please create a copy for the office to keep in case they need to make extra copies!

The word of the month: **Polite**.

Dates:

New Specials Schedule	11/4
Report Cards	11/6
Parent/Teacher Conferences	11/9, 11/10
Parent Visitation	11/16, 11/17
American Education Week	11/16-11/20
4 th grade egg drop	10/30 @ 11:45
Thanksgiving Holiday No School	11/26-11/30

**Treasurer's
Report – Howard
Emerson**

Last year WHSA had a net loss of \$4000 (this includes the \$5000 IRS fine). We spent less, made less, and took a \$5000 penalty. We do not have a current Money Market statement so the number on the financial paper isn't accurate. We have approximately \$20,000 in the account. FYI, Scholastic declined our Debit Card payment because it was too high (\$3000). We will need to send a check in the future.

**Corn Maze –
(presented by
Katie Keller)**

We had a very successful night! The bake sale made \$100 in addition to ticket sales.

Chairperson: Margaret Kauffman (not in attendance)

**Classroom
Parties – Erin
Allred**

Parties took place October 30. Parents planning to attend the Winter and February parties MUST get clearances. Please get them and turn them into the school as soon as possible. We will not be able to accommodate last minute clearance issues.

Snacks came from ALDI and cost \$340. We saved \$93 from previous parties!

**Sweet Street –
Kristie Hart**

Presale had 24 orders. This is much lower than previous years. Once we get the word from Sweet Street we will send out a reminder email to extend the presale.

There will be cash and carry on the day of the sale (Nov. 14). The truck rental is \$500 for the day and will be at the same time as a cheerleading competition in the Wilson Gym. Plans are being made to move the truck to the middle lot by Wilson Central to get the competition traffic for cash and

carry.

Anybody willing to volunteer shifts at the truck please contact Kristi Hart
kmarie0706@yahoo.com.

Coupon Books – (presented by Katie Keller)	We made \$3810 on the coupon books. 90 books are still missing. Reminder notices will be going out to return the books or pay for them. Chairperson: Aaron Orrell (not in attendance)
Whitfield Directory – Katie Pross/Rebecca Jarzyna	Forms have been collected and compiled. We have had to delete several previous entries because we have not gotten forms back. We are planning to include more 5 th grade drawings in the Directory this year. The goal is to get the Directory out by the first half of the year. A suggestion was made to include a form in the welcome back to school packet with a place to check that gives permission to publish family information for the tenure of the Whitfield students in the family. We will consider this for next year.
Community Night – Katie Keller and Katie Pross	The next community night will be 11/24 at Friendly's. Forms to go out next week.
Gift of Love – Abby Rigdon	Letters to go out this month. Homeroom parents need 2 wrapped paper sized boxes by 11/16 for collecting the donations. The presentation to families will be made during the December assembly.
Holiday Shoppe – Tracy Markle	Taking place Saturday, 12/5 from 9:00-12:00. There will be an app for those volunteering to facilitate pricing and tallying of items. Winter book fair will also take place during the Holiday Shoppe and will include teacher wish lists for books. The crafts for a cause will be gingerbread men decorating. We are looking for reasonably priced bakers. 5 th grade will be helping with the crafts.
Other News – Various presenters	Color Thon – We discussed fundraising vs fee based event and fundraising was decided upon. The goal is to find a date in mid-May for the event. Standardized screening – Howard invited everybody to a screening of <i>Standardized Lies, Money & Civil Rights</i> at Schuylkill Valley High School. Standarized Movie Website

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 6, 2015** in the Whitfield Cafeteria.