

WHSA Meeting
Tuesday 12/1/2016
6:30 PM

Attendees: Madeline Bieber, Sophia Rivera, Matt Derr, Wendy Rio, Jenn Ulrich, Michelle Coldren, Sarah Anholt, Erica Hassler

WHSA Board: Erin Allred - VP, Katie Pross - Secretary, Jen Weyman - Treasurer

Welcome:

Erin Allred called the meeting to order.

Treasurer Report:

- We are financially sound

Principal's Report (Dr. Antonis):

- Activities:
 - We had our Fire and Shelter in Place Drills last month. These drills are mandated by the state and the students and staff do a nice job responding to the Drills.
 - The Holiday Concert is on December 6 at 7pm in the High School Auditorium. I encourage everyone to come out to get in the holiday spirit.
 - Many of our grade levels are participating in a month of kindness activities in order to bring awareness to positive ways they can interact with other (give someone a compliment, etc.).
 - Several teachers are starting a STEM Club after school for 4th and 5th grade students who are interested. About 20 students who apply will be selected for this free, educational opportunity.
 - Fifth grade students who applied to be on TV Crew have been rotating on the morning announcements. This year, there will be about 25 students who have the opportunity to participate, which is up from only having about 7 students being able to participate in the past years.
- Information for Board:
 - I have asked, but have not received an update regarding the stairs from the Lower House parking lot down to the back of Whitfield. I will keep you posted if I do hear back.
 - We are starting a new reading initiative in the District called Readers' Workshop. With this new initiative comes the need for some additional supplies. While the building budget will cover the bulk of the materials needed, it will not cover everything. I am asking if the WHSA would be willing to assist with purchasing books for 2-3 grade levels at a cost of \$10,000-\$15,000 (depending on the grade level). I would like to begin purchasing the books in February in order to get a start on organizing them.
- Upcoming Dates:
 - December 6 at 7pm - Holiday Concert at the High School Auditorium

- December 22 at 11:45am - Early Dismissal
- December 23-30 - Holiday Break
- **WHSA members had questions regarding the book purchase proposal and the discussion was tabled until January when Dr. Antonis could be there in person to answer questions in detail. Topics brought up included applying for a grant from the Wilson Education Foundation and using Scholastic Dollars.

Scholastic/RIF (Abby Rigdon): Classroom teachers can make requests for RIF (reading is fundamental) books types. In order to show the Whitfield community where some of the WHSA monies go, we are getting a WHSA stamp for the books we purchase for the classrooms.

Box Tops (Wendy Rio): Next check will be \$1,248.80

Directory (Howard Emerson not in attendance): Howard has completed the Directory and has sent it to the printer. The printer has not completed the job yet. We hope to receive our copies before the holiday break.

Gift of Love (Abby Rigdon):

- All gift cards should be collected by teachers to go to Jen Weidner for safe keeping.
- In an effort to focus in on our own community there will be more local families in the future - including at least one this year. Hopefully next year we will be able to provide more for those directly in our area.

Holiday Shoppe: (Amy Bornais, Co-Chair)

- Set up this Friday.
- Mr. Derr will put the shopping/check out app on school devices so volunteers won't have to download the app on their personal phones.
- Pointsetta sale did well. Pick up on Saturday during Holiday Shoppe.
- Sweet Street hours go until 1 pm on Saturday. Kristi Hart (Chair, not in attendance) went into labor during the meeting and needed people to cover for her hours at the pick up. Erin Allred and Katie Keller volunteered to pick up the extra hours, not already covered by volunteers
- 3 Cash boxes (including school store one) will be needed for the event.
- Mrs. Sands will be there to play music.

Other:

Cash gifts given at Faculty Lunch.

Coupon Books made \$5,580 profit.

Encourage staff and Whitfield community to use Amazon Smile to earn extra money for the WHSA. Katie Pross will post on FB and include in the minutes.

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting Tuesday, January 3 at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria.

Thank you to everyone who attended!