

**Whit Davis PTO Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Welcome & Introductions:

Sharyn Dickerson, PTO president, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the PTO officers.

Principal's Report

Katrina Daniel welcomed everyone and thanked PTO for providing the staff with breakfast during Pre-planning. She also thanked PTO for providing the classrooms with electric pencil sharpeners and room flags. Principal Daniel reviewed WDES Mission Statement and reviewed current enrollment (634). She reviewed the new school-wide discipline plan being implemented this year. Information was sent home in PAWS folders regarding the policy.

President's Report

Sharyn Dickerson passed around committee sign-up sheets for those interested in volunteering. She encouraged everyone to sign up for WDES PTO yahoo group and Facebook group. WD PTO also has a website- www.whitdavispto.org

PTO received several thank you notes for supporting 5th Grade Honors Program and from Mrs. Nestor for retirement gift.

FY11 Budget Outcome-due to budget cuts, WDES lost parapro positions. We now have 3 parapro.

ASP update- Providers of enrichment activities are now in the process of working out arrangements to provide services. Also, due to WDES Title 1 status, additional enrichment opportunities are available through Pathways to success program (PSP). Contact Sharyn for a list of programs.

School Uniforms survey will be coming soon to see if there is an interest in the student uniforms.

Treasurer's Report

Patty Brooks, Treasurer reported that the PTO balance is \$1492

Secretary's Report

Dana Turner, Secretary, presented copy of April 2010 Minutes for approval. Denise VanWicklen made a motion to approve minutes. Patty Brooks seconded the motion.

Committee Reports

Teacher Appreciation- each grade will be asked to bring snacks for staff appreciation each month. Information will be sent home in the PAWS folder

Coupon Book Sales-Jennifer Smith reported that coupon book sales start August 16th. There will be a stuffing party on August 14th at 9:00 a.m. in the media center. This is PTOs biggest fundraiser of the year. Prizes will be awarded to student who sells the most books. Every student will receive a prize for selling at least one book.

Fall Festival-Denise Pass Van Wicklen . There will be a committee meeting on August 17th at 6:00p.m. in the media center. Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to attend. The Fall Festival will be held October 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Square 1 Art -Cynthia Hoover talked about Square One art. Each student will design art to be put on different items that can be purchased. Packets will go home mid-October with more information on ordering .

Free Money -Beth Campbell reviewed the different programs that PTO uses to earn money. We collect box tops. Please send in ziplock bags of 50. Campbell's Soup labels and empty Capri Sun containers, flattened without straws. Publix key cards are available. A portion of your purchase goes to WDES. Ga Natural Gas is offering a program called True Blue Schools. Go to Ga Natural Gas website for more information. WD participates in Green School Project where we collect old cell phones and ink cartridges to be recycled.

Special Events - Shannah Montgomery, Sabrina Young. The Back to School Bash is scheduled for August 14th at 6:30. Bring your own picnic dinner and enjoy the movie, Alvin and the Chipmunks the Squeakual at 8:00. Skatenight for Sept. 16th has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts with the skating rink.

Wildcat Walk is scheduled for March 25, 2011. More information to come

Parent Advisory Board- Jennifer Smith/Keisha Ryals/Angela Gattison. The Board meets on the 3rd Monday of each month to discuss concerns around the district.

Landscaping-Mr. Steven King asked for help with weeding around the WD campus. Please contact Mr. King if you are interested.

Drawings for prizes

Future Meeting Dates : September 14th at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned