



April 4, 2025

PTO Meeting Agenda

Welcome & Greetings- Griffiths

- I. Review minutes from January
- II. Administration Report
- III. Budget-
 - a. Update on Community Business Partner letters- Danford
 - b. Business Partners
- IV. Fundraising- Finnell
 - a. Update Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie
- V. Teacher Appreciation- May 5th-9th
 - a. Tom's Traveling Coffee Truck is scheduled for May 6th.
- VI. Beanstack- Pooser
- VII. Hope Florida Resiliency Coach
- VIII. Visitor Cleanse Update

Thank you for your dedication to PTO!



Janie Howard Wilson PTO Meeting Minutes

April 4th, 2025

Welcome and Introductions

Kim Griffiths; Betty Finnell; Karen Danford; Cynthia Jimenez

Review of Minutes from January

Approved By: Cynthia Jimenez

Administrative Report:

- 3rd and 4th Grade will have IB PYP Exhibition at the end of April. There will project presentations in the classroom and presentation the JHW Silver Streak Dancers
- 5th Grade will have their exhibition on May 15th. This will involve the community and our students are doing the Color Run where they will make their own color and focus on health habitats. Yoga and painting with Mrs. Stull; Zumba with Mrs. Coffman; Making health snacks with Mrs. Rosier from Bok North. Thank you to Mr. Lewis.
- JHW dancers and cheerleaders will be performing at the 5th grade exhibition and at Lowes. Our cheerleaders are competing at the RP Funding Center with the possible opportunity to go to Nationals.
- Our A-Team made it to the final round and placed 5th in the competition. Thank you to Ms. Gun for her work on this.
- Our Honor Society event was an amazing night. Thank you to the families as we had a full house! We love the support. Special thanks to Ms. Gunn, Mrs. Burrows, and Ms. Lawson.
- The girl scouts were a hit and we look forward to having them back on campus next week.
- Thank you to Ms. Pooser and Mrs. Anderson for rocking our third AR party with outdoor games and snacks before spring break. We are so proud of our Silver Streak readers.
- Our WIDA testing has been completed and sent back prior to Spring Break
- We will be completing Tropicana Speech with our Fifth graders, Fairytale Showdown with our first graders, math bowl with all grades, and a Book Battle with our SSYRA books this upcoming month.
- Thank you to Mrs. Collins for her work with Black History Month and getting our campus ready for Women's History.
- Thank you to Mrs. Finnell for another successful week celebrating Dr. Seuss. Ms. Walker did a great job putting together our read alouds for the morning show!
- Thank you to Dundee Elementary for allowing us to collaborate for IB Planning. We appreciate the teamwork and support

- We love the turnout we had with our families for our Picnic on the Lawn day! Thank you for all those that participated. Thank you to SLA for their work. The cafeteria looked amazing and the food was excellent. Mrs. Spor and her team do an outstanding.
- JHW has started their FAA testing. Thank you to Mrs. Cole and Mr. Bell for their teamwork to make this a success.
- K-2 has done a great job with the pilot program for foundational skills with LaLilo.
- Thank you to Mrs. Stull as she is working to complete the last paint along.

Budget:

- The business partner letters have helped we received 11 donations.
- Our current balance is \$4542.29.

Fundraising Ideas:

- Our Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser raised \$3329.00 The school will receive 40% back. The top classes were: Burrows, Revelo, Irwin, Gethmann, and Bender.

Teacher Treats:

- April Treat- Popcorn
- Teacher Appreciation will include Tom's Traveling Coffee Truck and Bussin Ice Cream. Other options to look at is breakfast, tacos, and/or oil change.

Beanstack:

- This will be presented at the next PTO meeting as we are still in trail stage.

Hope Florida Resiliency Coach:

- Shared website
- Discussed the different roles the coaches can do in the schools.

Volunteer Information:

- JHW is waiting for parent letter to be released
 - Volunteer Level 2 is good for 5 years
 - Parents can come into the school with supervision from teacher using Raptor.



Janie Howard Wilson PTO Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2025

Welcome and Introductions

Kim Griffiths; Betty Finnell; Brittany Alexander; Karen Danford; Aimee Poirier; LaShonda Mose; Don'Queria Benyard

Review of Minutes from December:

Approved By: Karen Danford

Second By: Aimee Poirier

Administrative Report:

- Thank you to the Lake Wales Care Center. We had three classrooms with new desks and chairs in our fourth grade. We have two more classrooms to complete and then our entire fourth grade and one second grade class will have new desks!
- Our second quarter AR celebration was a success. The students enjoyed making their own edible Christmas trees!
- Thank you to our fifth-grade families for coming out last night. We also want to thank Mr. Lewis for coming and sharing about Bok N. to the families.
- Open enrollment has started, and we want to thank Bok N.; Bok S. and Roosevelt for providing tours to our students. McLaughlin is supposed to reach out to schedule a tour.
- Our Dinner with Santa was a huge success and thanks to all our families and our staff. It is a true team effort and we appreciate the support.
- The third annual spelling bee was a fun event. Congratulations to Nia Kelly a fifth-grade student who won the spelling bee. However, one of our second-grade students stayed in and made the competition extremely competitive for two of our fifth graders in the bonus round with middle school level words. Thank you to Dr. Hutto for assisting with this event!
- PCSB came for their yearly visit and they continue to express their appreciation for the success of the student performance improving and the work being done on the campus. We will be starting our charter renewal draft next year. We appreciate the support given by Candy Amato and her team!
- Our 3rd-5th grade paint along was a success! The students enjoyed their holiday painting activity. Later this month, we will be partnering with the LW Art Center for an evening paint along for the family.
- The third through fifth graders were able to attend a winter holiday dance before break and all students were able to participate in the holiday shop this year.
- We have kicked off this year with our first graders starting their exhibition projects. We will be sharing them along with their performance in February.

- Our progress monitoring is mostly complete. We had only 10 makeups when we returned from break. Thank you to our families for ensuring their child was present at school. This month, we will be completing the iReady and Reading Plus assessments as well as Acaletics for grades 2-5.

Budget:

- The budget is updated as of 01/09/20245. This includes the Penny Wars as well as the cost for awarding the fifth graders for their winning.
- There were no questions.

Fundraising Ideas:

- Mrs. Finnell has spoken to the Cookie company about sending information. This will be shared at the next meeting.
- There have been many fundraisers from the teams.
- Ag will be doing beef jerky fundraiser
- Next month, we need to make a final decision for either the cookies and/or the color run.
 - Make a decision in February and fundraise for Color Run in March to have in April as March is the PTO fundraising month.

Teacher Treats:

- December- We will do a holiday cake
- January- White powdered donuts with hot chocolate
- February- Mini Flowers with chocolate
- March- Mini Pie for Pie Day
- April – Cookie Bar for teachers
- Shared the flyers for Teacher Appreciation Week and will finalized at the next meeting

Bringing Up the Grade Awards vs. Most Improved:

- In the third quarter we will start with "BUG" Awards for the third and fourth quarter awards instead of most improved
- Reading and Math only if the grades improve from the previous quarter to the next.
- Administration will meet with Grade chairs to explain.
- Quarter Two awards will continue with the Most Improved

PTO Memberships:

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 - Currently at 76 families
 - 17 staff members have joined.
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- Mrs. Danford has drafted the letters and sent to administration
- The goal is to have the letters sent out this month.
- Mrs. Danford will provide an update at the next meeting.

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