

**Willow Hill Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday November 19, 2009 School Library, 6:30pm**  
Chairperson: Julia Coleman

**Attendance:**

**Willow Hill Staff:**

Mr. Jordan (principal)  
Ms. Alexion (Curriculum Specialist)  
Ms. Harris (Librarian)  
Ms. Jessica Kroll (Student Teacher)

**PTO Executive Board:**

Julia Coleman (Co-President)  
Jennifer Razzi (Co-President)  
Gwen Harpel (Co-Vice President)  
Mimi Bourgeault (Co-Vice President)  
Chris Rementer (Treasurer)  
Erika Wimms (Internal Secretary)  
Andrea Jackson (Recording Secretary)

**Parents: 15**

The PTO meeting was called to order at 6:30pm By Julia Coleman in the school library. The following items were discussed:

Welcome/Announcements:

Approval of Minutes from October 15, 2009 meeting held at 9:15am: accepted by Gwen Harpel, seconded by Mimi Bourgeault.

**FaVE:** Jessica Kroll, Student Teacher representing Ms. Linda DeBow, Kindergarten Teacher.

- ⊕ Jessica Kroll a student teacher who attends West Chester University introduced FaVE (Fruits and Vegetables Exercise) Club. The Goal of FaVE is to stay active, eat healthy, and make healthy choices. This club is currently opened to 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades. It is held on Wednesday after school and is run by Mrs., Debow (Kindergarten teacher) and Jessica Kroll Student Teacher. The club encourages healthy lifestyle by giving the students a variety of fun activities such as:

Taste testing new foods

Physical Fitness:

Walking challenges

Brain Gym activities

Turkey Bowl, Track, walking club

- ⊕ The club is always looking for volunteers and anyone interested can contact Kelly Ann Keller at [Kellyannkeller@abington.k12.pa.us](mailto:Kellyannkeller@abington.k12.pa.us)

**Principals Report:** Mr. Jordan

- ⊕ Thanked everyone for supporting the Breathing Room Food Drive There was media coverage on channel 6 news.
- ⊕ Cell Phones are not to be turned on during school hours they must stay in students back packs.

- ⊕ American Education week is currently in session with a hawk assembly to end the week on Friday November 20, 2009.
- ⊕ Workshops for American Education week were not well attended and the staff is going to take another look at this for next year.
- ⊕ Conference will be held December 8-10, 2009 with students being dismissed at 12:20pm.
- ⊕ Students will still receive lunch that day. Invites for conferences went out today November 19, 2009.
- ⊕ Ms. Harris with the help of some staff and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students has begun to publish a school newspaper Hawk's Eye

**Treasurers Report:** Chris Rementer

- ⊕ A review of the current state of accounts was done.
- ⊕ An explanation about the released funds from past 6<sup>th</sup> grades was done and that money was placed in the main PTO account as a general fund.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Report:** Abbe Farber

- ⊕ The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students voted on the shirt color of blue
- ⊕ The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students voted on the class trip to be The Spirit of Philadelphia  
The class trip will be Tuesday June 1, 2010
- ⊕ The 6<sup>th</sup> grade held a Chick Fil A night 11/17 funds not reported yet
- ⊕ The 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be asking for an activity fee this year from parents with a letter to be sent home soon
- ⊕ Crazy Sock Day will be held 11/23 with a \$1 fee
- ⊕ Additional fundraisers will be held that include Avon sales and Five Below
- ⊕ Treasurers Report for 6<sup>th</sup> grade:
  - \$509.64 Income
  - \$403.00 Expenses
  - \$106.00 Profit
- ⊕ There will be a bake sale held during conferences
- ⊕ Next 6<sup>th</sup> grade committee meeting December 14@ 6:30pm

**Teacher Representative**

- ⊕ Mr. Leshner, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher and elected Teacher representative to the PTO, was not available to attend tonight's meeting.
- ⊕ Ms. Harris, the Librarian, reported the book fair held last week was very successful.

**New Business:**

- ⊕ No meeting in December
- ⊕ Friday December 18 @ 9am-5pm Barnes and Noble's Willow Grove gift wrapping event.  
This is a free event where we wrap gifts for free and ask for tips in return.

**Box Top Report:** Gwen Harpel

- ⊕ \$222.10 profit so far. Our Goal is \$1100.00  
Capri Suns: \$2.76 (2cents a pouch)

**Calendar Review:** Erika Wimms

12/3 Platinum Card Night

12/7 Chick Fil A

12/8 School Board Meeting @7:30pm

12/8-12/10 Conferences students dismissed at 12:20pm

12/11 Scholarship Dance (all students must have a chaperone)

12/15-12/17 Holiday Shoppe (12/17 6-8pm)

12/22 Winter Concert 1:30

12/23 Staff vs. Student Basketball Game

    K-3 in the Morning

    4-6 in the Afternoon

    Classroom Winter Parties 2:30

12/24-1/3 Winter Breaks

1/4 Return to school

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm