WELCOME by Mrs. Carissa Steinert (recognize any new members)
Members Present: Carissa Steinert, Jess Oswald, Jan Hansen, Emily Risty, Melanie Biesterfeld, Debbie Jans, Amy Rust, Emily Hutzenbiler, Janet Bergquist, Jen Garlie, Anne Earsley

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

Emily Hutzenbiler moved to adopt agenda. Jess Oswald $2^{\text {nd }}$ the motion. Motion passed. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES (available on the school's website - School Info>PTO)

Debbie Jans moved to approve the minutes. Anne Earsley $2^{\text {nd }}$ the motion. Motion passed.

## PRINCIPAL'S / TEACHER'S REPORTS

Mrs. Greff Thanked the PTO, on behalf of all the elementary teachers, for the gift cards.
Mrs. Wood is curious if the PTO was going to provided books for BINGO for Books again.
Anne moved to provide $\$ 200.00$ for BINGO for books. Emily $2^{\text {nd }}$. Motion passed OFFICER'S REPORTS:
A. President's Report—Not Present for this meeting
B. Vice-President's Report—Tentatively Not Present
C. Treasurer's Report (turn in any receipts you may have)

Treasurer, Amy Rust, reported that the current balance is \$4,145.24
Emily Risty moved to approve Treasurer's report. Emily Hutzenbiler 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$. Motion passed.
OLD BUSINESS:
A. Awarding of extra "bucket seats"-Jan Hansen

Anne moved that the PTO place extra bucket seats be placed under the Christmas tree and teachers interested in winning the bucket seats can have their name entered into a drawing. Amy Seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Anne will send an email to Wilton teachers about entering their name. She will draw four lucky teachers. Each will receive one bucket seat.
B. High School program bake sale $(12 / 5)$
\$ 382.00 Received from the High School bake sale.
C. Teacher Christmas Tree/Gift Cards for Teachers-Anne Earsley Anne Purchased and delivered gift cards.

Janet Bergquist moved that the PTO purchase K-cup pods for the staff rooms, for teachers. Jen Garlie Seconded. Motion Passed.
D. STEM requests using Scholastic Dollars (attachments included)

Currently we have $\$ 858.94$ in Scholastic dollars. Minus the $\$ 200.00$ being used for Bingo for books.

Debbie Jans moved to allocate $\$ 500.00$ of Scholastic Dollars to be used for STEM kits. Mrs. Knutson can choose how to use the $\$ 500.00$ of Scholastic Dollars. Emily Hutzenbiler seconded the motion. Motion Passes.

It was also mentioned that the State Library has STEM kits available to be checked out.

## E. FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY GRANT UPDATE

Debbie Jans updated the group that there has been a Pre-k survey sent out to the community, in order to help decide on how the school with potentially handle the lack of space dilemma.

## NEW BUSINESS:

A. Music Program Bake Sale (12/10)

Jess Oswald is opening. Deliver baked goods by 6:30pm.
B. Wilton Festival of Lights $(12 / 15)$

Amy, Melanie, Anne, and Carissa will have a booth set up for children to make Reindeer snow. Janet Bergquist will provide glitter. Carissa will bring oatmeal, a table, baggies, and labels. Will meet to set up at 2:15ish.
C. Upcoming Dances (Pre-K to $3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade) \& ( $4^{\text {th }}-6^{\text {th }}$ Grade)
a. Would we like to hold again?
b. Potential Dates?

Amy moved to hold both dances on March $6^{\text {th }}$ at the city hall, with the pre-k $-3^{\text {rd }}$ grade dance running from 6-8pm, and the $4^{\text {th }}-6^{\text {th }}$ grade dance running from 8:3010:30pm. Michaela Greff seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Suggestion of a Phone drop area for the $4^{\text {th }}-6^{\text {th }}$ grade dance
Hawaiian Glow was discussed theme. Many people will check on what supplies we have left over from previous years.
c. Coordinators?

Emily Hutzenbiler volunteered to coordinate the little kids dance. Older grade Parents and parents of $4^{\text {th }}$ graders will coordinate together.

Emily will create a sign-up genius
Carissa will reach out to Taryn Schurhamer about DJing again this year.

## ITEMS TO DISCUSS NEXT MONTH:

## Dances

## Parent Teacher Conference Meals

Energy Day - March 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$
Reading Month
In the past the PTO has provided Barnes and Noble gift cards, Cenex gift cards, treats for winning class, \& concessions for students who couldn't afford it. Emily Risty volunteered to make the treats.

The theme is Mythical Magic
Perhaps an action grant could be used for it.
NEXT MEETING DATE: January 13th
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