

PTG MEETING MINUTES

Wilson Elementary School PTG

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 7:00 pm | Wilson Library | Meeting Called to Order at 7:08 pm Kendra Chapman

Minutes Submitted by Krista Kautzman

PTG Officers in Attendance

Kelli Wright, Vice-President

Ana Ehrler, Treasurer

Krista Kautzman, Secretary

Carlos Lozano, Member at Large

Welcome / Intro from Ana – 1 min

Ana Ehrler called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Approval of Minutes -1 min

The April 2026 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve by Ana Ehrler; second by Carlos Lozano. All in favor. — Motion Passes

Celebrations, Ana Ehrler -2 min

- Teacher Appreciation-
 - Sierra Campbell said staff was very, very grateful and appreciative
- Rod Burke and Cade Conklin for producing the Talent Show

Treasurer's Update, Ana Ehrler, Treasurer -7 min

- **Budget Update—**
 - Current remaining budget aligns with projected budget for 2026-27
 - Requests that committee chairs review budget and recommend any adjustments (more or fewer funds)
 - Provide input before June 1st
 - \$50,225 remaining and projected to spend another \$15,000-\$20,000 this year which puts us on track for the 2026-27 school year considering the approximately \$65,000 in the money market
 - Still waiting on invoices from STEM night
 - 5th graders taking a field trip to Feast World Kitchen
 - Pancake Feed, 5th grade promotion, Wilson Alum Scholarship, yearbooks all upcoming expenses
- **26-27 Year Budget Request**
 - Ana proposes to give teachers \$400 checks for 2026-27 school year
- **One Book, One School Funds Request-** Sierra Campbell (10 min)

- o Working with Ms Smulkowski with an SPS foundations grant to fund this but wanted to put in a request in case grant is denied
- o Other schools in the district use this program (Hutton, Grant, etc)
- o Opportunity for families to come together to promote literacy
- o Program provides a book for each student or family and one for each staff member
- o Collaborative reading experience as a school including a reading schedule and school activities
- o Aligns with the Community Connections Committee- hoping to highlight/promote the neurodivergent community and looking into "A Boy Called Bat"
- o Estimated cost for 332 books would be \$2500
- o Ana asks if the family gets to keep the book
- o Carlos asks What does the engagement look like at other schools?
 - Kick off assembly, each week has trivia/activities, opportunities to read/listen at school too
- o What is the timeline for ordering books?
 - If grant goes through, order books as soon as possible and launch program at winter conferences
- o Open to options including one book per family or one book per child
- o Raederle moves to put \$2500 as a line item for this funds request. Carlos seconds.

Information Items

- **Principal's Update**— Anne Park (2 min)
 - State testing this week and next; focus on rest and snacks
 - Thank you to the PTG for all the teacher appreciation
 - Parent feedback for class placement closes on Friday
 - Field Day has been moved from June 12th to June 10th
 - 2 new teachers next year: Kathy Chalich in 1st grade and Lee Hancock in 2nd grade
- **DEI Committee Update**— Raederle Swanson (2 min)
 - Very excited for One Book, One School
 - Adding a Multicultural Night next year; teaming up with LC feeder pattern
 - No more meetings this year but hoping to have people join in the fall
 - Switching to meeting every other month
- **CAC** – Tonja Brown (4 min)
 - Half the meeting was Dr Swinyard going over the school start times
 - No official decisions made yet
 - Trend right now is looking like middle school will start first, 30-45 min window before high school begins, and then another 30-45 min window before elementary begins
 - Thinking about STA bus contract for free youth passes expires in 2032; if not extended it will be millions of dollars lost
 - Middle schools currently have a 1.5 mile walking radius; with our own busses we can hopefully go back to a 1 mile radius
 - Planning to ramp up Express care offered for elementary students
 - Start time would change for the 2027-28 school year
 - Once in a lifetime opportunity to bring bussing in house and change start times; all very data driven
- **Green Club**- Bre Orcasitas (9 min)

- Walk for Water with 5th grade classes took place during science class
 - Ms Helms wants to do it again next year
 - Ana, Anne, Sierra all helped out
 - Parent reached out with concern for heat on playground due to lack of shade
 - Idea to plant more shade trees in small grassy area; potential to use the SpoCanopy project
 - Ana notes that we discussed this in the fall with Ms Passinetti
 - District denied ability to do anything permanent
 - Tables/umbrellas were discussed but not a great option
 - Need to follow up with Mr Syron; will require creativity as a PTG to solve the problem
 - Carnival coming up: missing 2 large water coolers
 - Please reach out to Bre if you know where these are
 - Has a back up for carnival but would like original containers back
 - Final meeting in early June
 - Hoping to take the kids to Comstock Park to practice setting up tents and explore different camping equipment as well as compass use
 - Still looking for someone to take over Green Committee lead for next year
 - Hoping to have a paddle board party toward the end of the school year
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- **Extracurricular Committee --- Diana Costa (13 min)**
 - Getting ready to finalize fall offerings
 - September through December
 - Looking for leads for the various programs
 - Typically not a problem to find parent volunteers to support leads
 - People are interested in, but we need leads for:
 - Lego Club, Chess Club, Play Club, Pickleball, Flag Football, Green Club, Art After School
 - Would like to get this finalized soon so it's set to go before June
 - Co-leading is a great option
 - Potential to be a paid lead; district paperwork required
 - Caitlin volunteers for Play Club and Lego Club
 - Bre suggests recruiting volunteers at Pizza in the Park: using a 1 event/family model
 - Trying to figure out the right level of events/activities as our culture has shifted since 2021 when our extracurricular program was first built
 - Having a staff lead helps things go much more smoothly
 - Lego Robotics is going away after 2027-28 school year; next year will be the last year for the program here
 - Looking to shift away from formal Lego Robotics; offering a different model to help reach a greater number of students
 - Potential to sponsor 1 team if there is great demand and support
 - **Movie Night—Tonja Brown (2 min)**
 - Full gym; estimated 130-140 people
 - So fun to have pajama day and movie night line up
 - Thanks to everyone who helped!

New Discussion Items—Questions—Comments—Ideas

- **Carnival Update:** Ana Ehrler (2 min)
 - Volunteers needed
 - Online ticket sales end tomorrow; Available for 3/\$1 at the door
- **Dine Out-** Ana Ehrler (1 min)
 - Monday the 25th at Carusos
 - Please RSVP before the 22nd to ensure the event goes forward
- **Retiring Teachers Survey-** Ana Ehrler (1 min)
 - Extended through May 22nd
- **2026-27 Calendar-** Ana Ehrler (1 min)
 - Event chairs need to send their event information to Ana
- **2026-27 PTG Board Elections—** Ana Ehrler (3 min)
 - President: Carlos Lozano
 - Vice President: Kelli Wright
 - Secretary: Krista Kautzman
 - Treasurer: Ana Ehrler
 - Treasurer Elect: Caitlin Lajoie
 - Member at Large: Sarah Tsikalas

The following individuals need to be taken off all Wilson Wildcat PTG accounts both with the WA Secretary of State and the current bank accounts:

Kendra Chapman

Gretchen Cleveland

The following individuals need to be added to the Secretary of State accounts:

Carlos Lozano

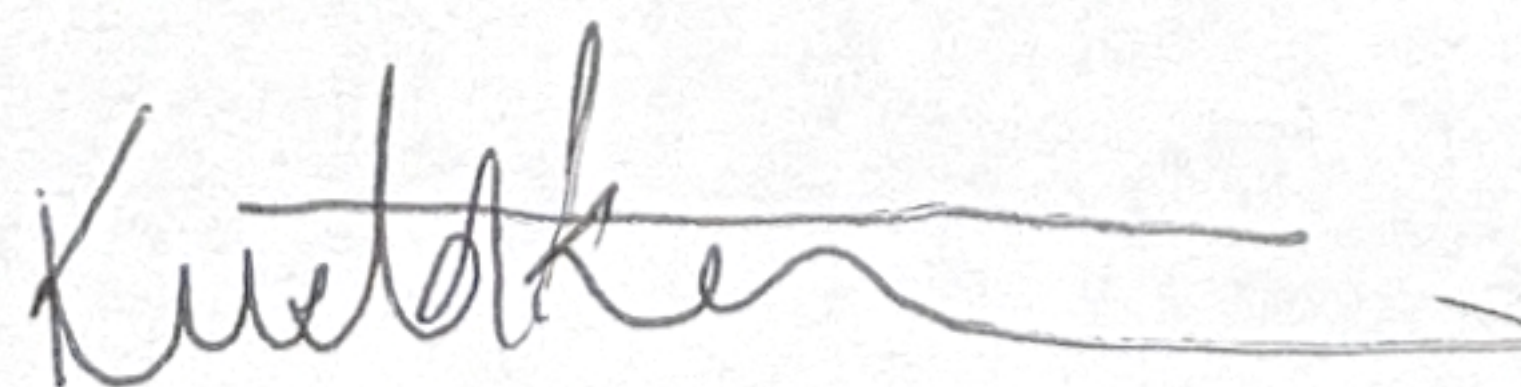
Caitlin lake

Sarah Tsikalas

The following need to be added (in addition to current treasurer--- Ana-Maria O Ehrler who is required to retain access until July 1, 2027) to the Columbia Bank account access and debit cards:

Carlos Lozano, president

Caitlin Lake, treasurer elect

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Meeting Adjourned 8:08 pm by Ana Ehrler — Attendance: (16 total in attendance—8 in person —8 online)