

# PTG MEETING MINUTES

Wilson Elementary School PTG

*Tuesday, Nov 12, 2024 7:00 pm | Wilson Library | Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 pm by Kendra Chapman*

*M Minutes Submitted Krista Kautzman*

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## PTG Officers in Attendance

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Kendra Kimball Chapman, President  
Kelli Wright, Vice-President  
Gretchen Cleveland, Treasurer  
Ana-Maria Ehrler, Treasurer Elect  
Krista Kautzman, Secretary

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## Welcome / Intro from Kendra -1 min

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Kendra Chapman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

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## Approval of Minutes -2min

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The October Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve by Kendra Kimball Chapman; second Kelli Wright, all in favor. — Motion Passes

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## Celebrations, Kendra Chapman, President -5 min

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- Monster March team: Sarah Rodgers, Kelli Wright, Kate Smith
- Dine Out @ Mod: Tonja Brown. \$271.45 generated.
- Wildcat Wake Up: Emily Allen & Sarah Rodgers
- XC Coaches and parent volunteers
- Thank you note from 1<sup>st</sup> and K teachers for the funds allotted to Hidden Acres field trip
- Wellness Wagon photos shared from Sierra Campbell. Helps increase self-care and prevent burnout as well as create a positive culture among the staff. Donation QR code shared for anyone who would like to help donate to restocking the cart.

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## Treasurer's Update, Gretchen Cleveland, Treasurer -5 min

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- **Budget Update:**
- Most revenue from last meeting came in through Monster March and merchandise sales.
- Receipts are still trickling in for Monster March expenses but projected to be under budget for expenditures. Proceeds came in under what was expected.
- Most expenses this month have been toward Monster March, Lego Robotics, and nurse's supplies (new thermometer, appropriately sized menstrual products)
- Yo-yo sales went through PTG so some expense and income reflected.
- Funded Mobius Field Trip for squid dissection; funding upcoming Mobius trip for kinders.

- 4<sup>th</sup> graders headed to SCC for Surgical Tech program field trip
- Just over \$1000 for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

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### Principal's Update – 7-min

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- Mike absent due to travel hiccups. Kendra shared his update via text message.
- Thank you so much for Monster March. It was a huge success.
- Staff did a book study on The Anxious Generation. Mike and Kendra discussed presenting to the PTG for a parent book study. Email Mike if you're interested in borrowing a book.
- Building Bridges to Beloved Communities update: Staff training on 11/18, Parent Session first week of December and interested in feedback about which date is best.
  - Spurred by events of last spring.
  - BBBC is district sponsored workshop aimed at creating common language to unite people of all different backgrounds so we can better be in community with one another. Divided into 3 sections: staff, caregivers, staff and caregivers together

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### Information Items

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- **DEI Subcommittee Update**—Raederle Swanson- Last met on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Upcoming meeting is December 4<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Klein's house. Looking to recruit new members. 2 min
- **CAC Update**—Kelli Wright Cell-phone policy has been well-received. Behavior interventions down 30% from last year. Engage IRL has resulted in increased interest in extracurriculars/clubs/sports. Start time adjustments in talks. 2025-26 calendar now available and balanced calendar discussion is underway. Requires negotiations with the SEA. Use Let's Talk to offer any input. Nicole Bishop appointed to school board vacancy. Teachers encouraged to reframe field trips as a way to get to know local areas (parks, libraries, fire stations, etc) and emphasizing partnership with STA to use city buses. Liasons available to help navigate bus schedules/route transfers. - 5 min
- **Fall Extracurriculars** --- Jeff Klein 7 min
  - Robotics currently going. 2 teams of 10 kids.
  - Week 3 of Art After School
  - Partnership with HeARTworks is growing
  - 1<sup>st</sup> grade drama going well. Looking for a couple more parent volunteers for the next few weeks. 24 students. Potential for 5<sup>th</sup> grade leadership students to help out. Drama program is a pilot model.
  - Working to get Winter Extracurriculars list out by November 20<sup>th</sup>. Great programs coming this next trimester. Support parents always needed. Kelli Wright circles back to CAC with the request for elderly involvement. Recruit grandparents/neighbors who don't have school age children to complete volunteer forms.

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### New Discussion Items—Questions—Comments—Ideas

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- STEAM Night Funds Request—Amanda Helms looking for \$170 of ice cream making supplies. Ana-Maria Ehrler asks about asking Rosauers to donate any portion of the supplies. Jeff Klein motions to fund the project; Lindsay Pursley seconds. Lindsay Pursley offers to reach out to Rosauers about

funding. We do not need napkins. Derek Sarfino working to make STEAM night a science fair as well. 4 min

- Monster March Recap- Sarah Rodgers and Kate Smith: 595 tickets sold \$3147 brought in with roughly \$1000 profit. Thank you to all the parent and staff volunteers who made this possible. Overall it was lots of fun and met the goals of the organizers. Breakdown of volunteers, very few signed up. Grateful to all the middle schoolers who helped out. Not manned the way they had hoped. Option to assign event to a grade level to organize and run. Question from Kate Makinson about where the sign up promoted? Kendra then reminds everyone that information is all available on the PTG website. David Allen suggests slating extra time for discussion of increasing overall volunteer support. Email Monster March feedback to event chairs to finetune for next time. 11 min
- Parents' Night Fundraising Follow Up – Jake Rodgers Spent about \$100 and everyone ate the food and it was good. Ana-Maria Ehrler brings up that one barrier to parent night out is childcare. Putting \$100 toward childcare is a better use of the funds. We would need a staff member at the school for child care. 25-20 people attended. Gretchen Cleveland brings up that there's not as much direct student impact with Parent's Night Out as there is with funding student activities. Jake notes that anything that brings families and parents together can benefit the students. Kelli Wright votes not to fund it until there is a way to make it more accessible to more families. Sierra Campbell suggests pairing it with an extracurricular activity so that parents could drop off their children and then go attend the Parent Night Out. Discussion about the difference between funding this and funding Wildcat Wake Up. Price per person with Wildcat Wake Up is about half the cost of the Parent Night out. Include a question about desire/need for Parent Night Out in PTG survey this year. Different options for how this can be run. 10 min
- Community Partnership Background Information: Katelyn Hunt, Sierra Campbell, Jeff Klein
  - Born out of COVID because of surplus of money but lack of expenses due to cancelled events.
  - How can we take some of the money we have and share it with the broader South Hill community, specifically another school with greater need and also to embrace the diversity of the community.
  - Decided to designate a specific fundraiser (Mother's Day flower basket sale) and built account up to \$1800.
  - Helps build community among the feeder pattern schools.
  - Jeff Klein proposed to partner with another school for the after school art program. 4 years in, we successfully partnered with Roosevelt Elementary. Roosevelt had 30 students/Wilson had 30 students. 4 week after-school pottery program at Sacajawea.
  - Tonight's purpose is to share the vision of the program and implore PTG to keep it going. Sacajawea principal has asked if we could potentially grow this program. Big push from the district to increase feeder pattern activities.
  - Request for a parent to shadow Katelyn and Jeff as they prepare for the next event this February.
  - Sierra Campbell: connection with other counselors in our feeder pattern and everyone is onboard and excited about the possibility of growing this program. Helps with connections between students and between buildings prior to transition to middle school. SEL component

added via activities on top of art programming. Encourages building on the strengths each school has.

- Kendra clarifies that Wilson PTG funds would cover expenses for Wilson students and other area Title 1 schools. Looking to PTG to approve the budgeting for this and also seeking volunteers to continue running the program.
- Ana-Maria Ehrler asks about the specific cost per student and how many students benefit from this.
- Gretchen Cleveland addresses the challenge of raising funds for a specific cause they can only be used for that activity.
- More investigating to be done about the logistics of allocating funds to this partnership.
- Jeff requests that the community partnership fund continue to be funded.
- Sierra brings up that it's more about the connection and community building than sharing of actual funds. 21 min

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### Informational Items

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- Art Night –Kate Smith and Raederle Swanson Thank you to those who have already volunteered. Request for anyone else to come volunteer. 2 different time slots available. Should be under budget. 2 min
- Dine out Nov 20<sup>th</sup> –date changed. Ferraro's is donating 15% of all sales to Wilson. Tonja Brown 1 min

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### Meeting Adjourned

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8:24pm pm by Kendra Chapman – Attendance: (22 total in attendance – 18 in person – 4 online)