

# PTO BOARD MEETING 10/19/2018

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19 October 2018 / 9:00 AM / WILKES LIBRARY

## ATTENDEES (20)

Jennifer Cannon, Karen Walker, Nicole Minoza, Alison Miller, Bobbi Jones, Tracey Harrah, Christy Remedios, Amy Oclander, Kelly Cancialosi, Lisa Kastner, Elsa Watson, Teresa Yette, Katie Wilson, Honora Gerbeck, Sarah Mann, Megan Livingston, Kristi Angel, Lindsay Browning, Ponti Smithson, Addie Bogdan

## AGENDA

- Meeting Called to Order **Megan & Jennifer**
- BSF **Elsa Watson**
- Jogathon Recap **Megan, Jennifer, Honora**
- New Budget and Surplus Discussion **Katie**
- President's Report **Megan & Jennifer**
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## IMPORTANT DATES

1. Thursday & Friday, October 25 & 26, 2018: Wilkes Conferences
2. October 2018: Halloween Costume Swap

3. Wednesday, November 14, 2018: PTO meeting, Technology use for Elementary Age Students
4. Friday, November 9, 2018: Harvest Fair

## Meeting Called to Order

1. Voting Jennifer Cannon into role as Co-President and Nicole Minoza as Building Liaison - **All in Favor**
2. A HUGE Thank-You to Honora for Running the Jogathon!
3. Jogathon, wonderful success!

## GUEST SPEAKER

Elsa Watson, BSF

1. STEM Labs- staff member cost covered by BSF
2. BSF Funding
  - a. Innovation - STEM Lab / Social Emotional Learning Initiative
  - b. Reading Club, Math Club, etc. - [when students have academic needs that don't qualify for Title 1 but still need a boost - Academic Support for Struggling Students]
  - c. Professional Development for teachers
    - i. Mentoring for new teachers (40 new teachers in district)
    - ii. Collaboration hours

3. New programs ---> Learning a lot and programs continue to evolve and grow as the years pass

a. Social/Emotional Learning Initiative

i. Brought Clay Roberts- bringing him back again to meet with staff on how they want to continue their work

b. Relationship Mapping Project

i. Go through each students relationship with adults and level 1-3

ii. Goal for all students to have level 3 repor with all teachers

iii. Found group of students all at level 1 and gathered volunteers to work with those kids

iv. Students who feel like they have at least two adults who really know them have a huge boost in confidence levels and perseverance

v. mapping at high school is directly tied to helping resolve core issues - Social Safety Net

4. Clickathon ends on Halloween

5. Teacher Innovation Grants - next year hoping to merge them into joint project with PTO

## Principal Report

**Amii Pratt, Principal**

1. Getting ready for conferences and keeping everyone healthy
2. Figuring out a "non-running" recess plan - kids are collaborating on this - and storage will most likely be in under cover area
3. Kids planting bulbs possible recess activity again
  - a. Helping teach kids which flower beds to use and how to use them
4. Arts & Culture Day partnership with BIMA, possibly in Spring/June?

## Jogathon Recap

**Megan Livingston, Jennifer Cannon, & Honora Gerbeck, Co-Presidents & Jogathon Chair**

1. For any improvement ideas you can always email Megan
2. Everyone gets a Yearbook!
3. Need to probably think through the lighting and noise for next year as some students had difficulty with it
4. Next year- Sack Lunches!
5. ½ donations received online and ½ donations received in envelopes

# New Budget and Surplus Discussion

**Katie Wilson, Treasurer**

1. Trying to decide what to do with Jogathon Surplus- the total somewhere around \$109,000
2. We will have somewhere around \$80,000 for the school budget for next year and we will have around \$20,000 in surplus budget
3. Surplus thoughts
  - a. Help promote Toy Guy funds
  - b. Assembly Funding
4. Contingency fund is well funded
5. End of year excess fund donations to BSF
6. Building Budget \$35k → driven by number of students
  - a. Wilkes is probably stretched most thin out of all the schools
7. PTO Budget can't pay for people- Building Budget has to
  - a. So we need creative ways to swap and use funds in both accounts to get the best for the school
  - b. Need to be smart as we move money around
8. Possible more funding to grants
  - a. Might be more successful to do that
  - b. Idea to do twice a year grants

# President's Report

**Megan Livingston & Jennifer Cannon, Co-Presidents**

1. Evening Parent PTO Meeting, Wednesday November 14 at 6:30 p.m.

- a. Tech use for Elementary Students
- b. How it's brought into schools
- c. Best uses at home
- d. Make list of what we'd like to see
- e. What other parents are doing (chart/survey?)

2. Speaker Ideas for upcoming events

- a. BYS breakfast had speaker on "Hope" - PTO's join to co-sponsor for him to come speak for a longer time(?)
- b. Peggy - Parenting Class- come for a one-time speaking \ session(?)

Motion to adjourn by Teresa Yette, Seconded by Katie Wilson-

Unanimously Approved

## Next Meeting

- Wednesday \*Evening\*, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wilkes Library