

# Whitewater Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

## February 10, 2017

- I. Meeting called to order by Mercy Forsyth at 9:32 am.**
- II. Principal's Report by Robyn Johnson:**
- A. Mrs. Baldwin was attending the Assembly with Guest Speaker Judge Jason Thompson. Judge Thompson's presentation was to educate the children on Social Media and School Law.
  - B. Basketball Championship Playoffs begin on Monday, February 13.
  - C. The School Administration is asking parents to complete the online survey for WMS. Below is the survey link that Mr. Barnes sent through email to the parents on Thursday, February 9. Please note: If you have children in multiple schools, you will need to fill out this survey for each school.  
Survey URL Link - <http://tinyurl.com/ParentSurveyWMS>
- III. Minutes from January 13 meeting were approved- motion: Heidi Danis, 2nd Jen Bibby**
- IV. Treasurer's Report by Carrie Hayes:**
- A. Due to no transactions on the account, Carrie Hayes did not have a report this month.
- V. Chair Reports:**
- A. Cultural Arts: Report by Heidi Danis -
    - On February 9, The 8th Grade Students participated in a Cultural Arts Assembly. The Assembly was "Raising a President" The Story of Rachel Clark/Jimmy Carter by Joanna Maddox. The students quietly enjoyed the performance and asked many questions after the presentation. The next Cultural Arts Assemblies are scheduled for:
      - 6th Grade - March 28, 2017 at 8:50 am - "And Then They Came For Me", A Holocaust Play
      - 7th Grade - May 10, 2017 at 8:50 am - Manga African Dance, An African Ensemble
    - 2. Heidi has provided the teachers a Comprehensive Guide on audience behavior.
  - B. 8th Grade Dance: Report by Mercy Forsyth - The dance is scheduled for Friday, March 24. The theme will be "The World Awaits". Caroline Schmitt and Sherry Farmer are organizing the dance. More details will be given to the 8th Grade Class at a later date.
  - C. Fundraising: Report by Mercy Forsyth - Kroger Community Rewards are still pending.
  - D. Landscaping: Report by Carrie Hayes - Carrie will meet with Mrs. Baldwin to discuss what the county is going to clean up on our campus. We are looking at several companies to fill in the pond area with dirt.
  - E. Parent Reps: Report by Tracey Milavec - Tracey Milavec is working on organizing the 8th Grade Picnic that will be held on May 18. Several requests were made for caterers: Grazing Here, Griffith's Drive In, Frigid Frog and Kona Ice. Tracey will be requesting volunteers to help with this event as it gets closer to May 18.
  - F. Social Media: Report by Jenn Bibby - Our Facebook page is a great tool for the parents to use to see events that are happening at our school. Please share our page with other WMS families. Anything you would like posted on Facebook, please send to Jenn Bibby at [jkbibby@yahoo.com](mailto:jkbibby@yahoo.com)
  - G. Spirit Wear: - Renee Gable is getting ready to order Spirit Wear shirts to be handed out to the rising 2017-2018 6th Graders. The committee is looking into making the shirt white or gray so the students

can wear them in PE Class. Please contact Laura Ryckeley if interested in purchasing spirit wear items still in stock at [jrclassic1@bellsouth.net](mailto:jrclassic1@bellsouth.net)

- H. Teacher Appreciation/Hospitality: Report by Mercy Forsyth - The committee is asking for recipes from the parents/guardians who have provided dishes for staff luncheons/breakfasts, etc. The recipes will be put into a book for an end of year gift to the staff. Please submit recipes to [wmsteacherappreciation@gmail.com](mailto:wmsteacherappreciation@gmail.com)

**VI. Open Discussion:**

- A. Sound System: Report by Mercy Forsyth - The PTO is getting one more bid before making their final decision. The sound system will come from a commercial division within one of the local Fayette County companies who have placed bids. The administration and PE Department will be in charge of taking care of the sound system after it is installed.

- B. Important Dates:

**5th Grade:**

- Parent Night at WMS Cafeteria - March 30 at 6:30 pm
- Student Field Trip to WMS - May 5 from 8:30 to 10:30 am

**8th Grade:**

- Parent Night at WHS Auditorium - March 6 at 6:00 pm
- Student Field Trip to WHS - March 6
- Registration for 9th Grade Classes - March 9

- VII. Next PTO Meeting Friday, March 10 at 9:30 am** (All meetings begin at 9:30 am. The remainder school year meeting dates are 4/14, 5/12)

- VIII. Meeting adjourned at 10:18 am, motion: Ava VanHeyningen, 2nd Jenn Bibby**