West Ridge Elementary PTO

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| **Meeting Date** | 1-8-14 | **Time** | 6:30pm-8pm | **Location** | West Ridge Elementary Cafeteria |
| **NEXT MEETING:** | 2-5-14 | **Approx # Present** | 13 | **Staff:**  | Teachers: Kennison, Principal Brock |
| **Minutes** | Welcome Old Business* Operation Giveback was a success. Items were donated to the Food Bank, Toys for Tots and Children’s Hospital. Lost and Found items will also be donated.
* Spirit Nights- earned about $128 from Skate City.

New Business* Wish List for teachers- Principal Brock and teachers will present about use of iPads in the classroom at a future meeting. Library would also like some magazine subscriptions. Discussed need for additional technology for use in standardized testing for the future.
* Spring Carnival will be May 9th- please start thinking about Silent Auction donations. Will enlist the help of high school students again, may ask for sponsors of small businesses in the community
* Fundraiser for next fall- want to vote on it after new officers are determined so everybody will have a voice in choosing the fundraiser for 2014-2015. May send out quick survey to get opinions on which type of fundraiser to do (donations vs. sales)
* Discussed ongoing fundraisers- Sent in a Box Tops submission over break for just over $500. Currently ranked #2 in north Metro Area Peiker’s class earned the trophy and teachers Peiker, Stephens and Knudson earned an ice cream party. Labels for Education bonus sheets were turned in- have about 14,000 points. Will save up points to use for Scholastic promotion. Terracycle items are currently being separated for shipment. Discussed ideas for separating items further in classrooms to avoid so much mess.
* Hospitality- no update.
* Budget update- No new update. Most recent budget posted on PTO website. Have about $44,000 in the bank currently.
* Spirit Nights- Pizza Hut Wed. Jan. 15th (all day-need flyer or online code to get credit). Panda Express- Jan. 28th from 5p-8p.
* Began contest to award class with most PTO meeting attendees at meeting. Kennison’s class will win a root beer float party. Discussed a bigger prize for next meeting to encourage attendance.
* Would like to do PTO officer nominations for 2014-2015 at Feb. meeting, so vote will take place in March and new committee can decide on fundraiser for next year. Vacated positions will likely be President, Vice-President, Secretary.

After Thoughts, Suggestions and Follow-Ups* Teacher Wish list will continued to be reviewed at the next meeting- will print out list to go over.
* Next year will likely add all families to PTO email list and provide an opt-out option in registration.
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