West Ridge Elementary PTO

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| **Meeting Date** | 2-5-14 | **Time** | 6:30pm-8pm | **Location** | West Ridge Elementary Cafeteria |
| **NEXT MEETING:** | 3-5-14 | **Approx # Present** | 16 | **Staff:**  | Teachers: Donabella, Beckstrand, Bertarelli, Marlatt, Ratzlaff, Principal Brock |
| **Minutes** | Welcome Old Business* Silent Auction baskets have been assigned to teachers and Sign-Up Genius lists with items needed have been sent to teachers to distribute to parents.
* Luau from Fall Fundraiser has been rescheduled for April 26th from 10-12p.
* Spirit Nights- earned about $138 from Pizza Hut, have not received check from Panda Express yet.

New Business* Wish List for teachers- Teachers Bertarelli and Marlatt gave presentation on how iPads are used in the classrooms and discussed need for additional technology for use in standardized testing for the future.
* Teacher Ratzlaff gave presentation on proposal for a Learning Garden to be constructed outside of the east side of the school. Initial bid for fencing was about $5000. Has written grants for funds from local businesses.
* PTO nominated new officers for the 2014-2015 school year. No nominations for Secretary currently. Will vote in new officers at March meeting.
* Discussed ongoing fundraisers- Sent in another Box Tops submission for $110. Last submission for this school year is due March 1st. Currently ranked #2 in north Metro Area. Peiker’s class earned the trophy and teachers Nelson and Potestio earned an ice cream party. Milk Caps for Moolah has special gold caps worth 25 cents each for an Olympics promotion.
* Hospitality- Teacher Appreciation week- will have food during week of March 17-20 as well as gifts for teachers and staff. Also will have a Bake Sale during Book Fair/Conferences.
* Budget update- No new update. Most recent budget posted on PTO website. Have about $44,000 in the bank currently.
* Spirit Nights- Skate City- Feb. 12th. Subway on 136th & Colorado from 4:30-8:30pm on Feb. 25th.
* Will give out gift card next meeting for teacher with most parents in attendance.

After Thoughts, Suggestions and Follow-Ups* Teacher Wish list will continued to be reviewed before the next meeting
* Next year will likely add all families to PTO email list and provide an opt-out option in registration.
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| **Roles** | **Facilitator** | Leah Hadaway | **Scribe** | Lindley Alston | **Timekeeper** | J. Liu |

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