Willow River Parent Group
Meeting Notes
October 21, 2013

19 Adults(with approx. 30 children), PG Board, and Mrs. Osterhues present

Call to Order 6:35

1. Board Reports

       President: Informed parents of ways to obtain info about upcoming
          events, as well as how to contact WRPG- via Facebook, Weebly, and updates
          on school monitor.

      Treasurer: Jody gave a report on the Chip Shoppe Fundraiser

      Secretary: Meeting notes will be posted on Website

2.  Principal’s Report
          Mrs. Osterhues gave an update as how PBIS continues to be integrated in
       daily activities. The 5th grade class developed a video (using iMovie on the
       iPad), demonstrating to their peers responsibility in the classroom. The video
       was shown during the all school meeting, and was well recieved.  The video
       was shared at the PG meeting.

3.  Fundraiser Update
            Chip Shoppe-preliminary numbers indicate a profit of 14,500, which is down
           about 2,000 from last year.  Cash donations were given as well.  Chip
           Shoppe fundraiser helps to pay for the Camp St. Croix trip for the 5th
           graders, and the company is very agreeable to work with. PG profits 40%
           of what they sell us.

            Culver’s Night-profit was 346.00, 300 from Culver’s and 46 in tips.  Culver’s
           gave PG an additional night, because so much business was brought in.
           The next date is December 7.  Jessica B. suggested looking into whether
           PG receives any profit from the sale of gift cards. This could possibly be a
           way to make extra money, as gift cards could be purchased for Christmas
           gifts.

             Scholastic- Brenda O. reported on the program.  Scholastic gives a small
          percentage of sales, however, they prefer to give out Scholastic dollars.
          Scholastic Dollars are given to teachers, teachers received 250 SD last year.

4.  iPad purchase update-15 iPads were purchased for school use, with a larger
          amount given to the 5th grade for use with curriculum.

5.  Back Pack Program
            Collecting soap and toiletry items to be included in backpacks for Willow
       families, and possibly for those families in the Hudson School District who
       participate in the program.  This is a brand new program, and through our
       contact person, Jodi Olson, we will continue to discuss ways we can support
       this very beneficial program.

6.  Upcoming Events discussed:
 Camp St. Croix, October 23-25-  Mrs. Dobberstein will give a presentation at
           November’s PG meeting. It was discussed how CSC is funded. Each spring the 4th graders do a fundraiser at Dicks.
           Tickets are 7  dollars, in which 5 goes to Willow, 2 to Dicks. Profits from Dicks covers 1/3 of the cost. 1/3 is covered by the                                            Chip Shoppe fundraiser, and the remaining 1/3 is  covered by the district.  The goal is for every child to go,
           with no out of pocket expense. Julie M. spoke highly of the event, having a child already
           gone to it; “...The goals and objectives for the trip are phenomenal, it’s
           not just a camping trip.”

Fall Fest, November 8-We are in need of a coordinator for the event, as well
           as some additional volunteers.  Julie M., suggested contacting Boy Scouts/
           Girl Scouts for volunteer opportunities.

Super Fun Walk and Run, October 26- there are safety guard opportunities,
           but they are most wanting of participation. :)

Family Boot Camp, November 13 6-7

Freestyle Fundraiser, November 7, 6-9

T-Shirts- been challenging to sell, with the Art classes making tie-dyed shirts
            this year.  It was suggested that maybe a different school spirit item be
            available for purchase.  Brenda O. mentioned ball caps, and a Wolfie
           “stuffie”,that was given to mentor families, as options.  Alicia stated that
            mentee/mentor families were given shirts.

7. Teacher requests
-Anne Henn, School nurse has requested funds for the purchase of travel  size deodorants for the 4th grade class, the Board approved.
-Mrs. Enberg, Battle of the Books program.

8.  Parent comments
          -Willow’s Spring Art Show was discussed, as it was unclear to some whether
         or not this is a fundraiser.  The Art Show is not set up to be a fundraiser, it
         is more of a community event which supports itself.  Each class receives
        40-60 dollars to be used for their projects.

          -Julie M. requested volunteers to help prepare and cut Box Tops that are to
        be sent in by the end of October.

9. Adjourn 7:14