

# Winterquist Partners In Education (PIE) Meeting Minutes

**Monday, February 2, 2026 5:30 p.m.**

**Current Mission Statement:** Winterquist Elementary Partners in Education's mission is supporting, promoting, and enhancing our children's educational environment.

**Board Members in Attendance:**

- Chairperson Kacy Jacobs
- Co-Chairperson/Secretary Denise LaGraves
- Treasurer Ty Gangelhoff

**Number of Members in Attendance: 5**

**Meeting called to order at: 1730**

**Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes:**

- Review/approve minutes.  
Ty motioned to approve; Jess Uecker seconded- motioned passed.

**Budget for this school year:**

| <b>Budget 2025-2026</b>                                             | <b>Budgeted Amount</b> | <b>Amount Remaining</b> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Roller skating- PE                                                  | \$1270.00              | \$0                     |
| Teacher Requests- Kindergarten                                      | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Teacher Requests- First Grade                                       | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Teacher Requests and Good & Services Day- Second Grade              | \$750.00               | \$550.00                |
| Teacher Requests- Third Grade                                       | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Teacher Requests- Fourth Grade                                      | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Teacher Requests- Fifth Grade                                       | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Teacher Requests- Sixth Grade                                       | \$750.00               | \$750.00                |
| Staff Appreciation (no conference meals)                            | \$500.00               | \$500.00                |
| Science Night                                                       | \$1,000.00             | \$1,000.00              |
| I Love to Read Month                                                | \$3,500.00             | \$3,500.00              |
| Knowledge Bowl                                                      | \$500.00               | \$500.00                |
| PIE General Fund (expenses, etc.)                                   | \$4,000.00             | \$4,000.00              |
| Child care gift cards for during PIE meetings: \$5 x 2 x 8 meetings | \$80.00                | \$0.00                  |
| Playground Equipment to replace zipline?                            | \$20,000.00            | \$20,000.00             |

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|-------|-------------|-------------|
| Total | \$32,100.00 | \$30,550.00 |
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#### Treasurer Report:

- Expenditure/Income Report:

#### National Bank of Commerce Account:

| Date       | Category | Paid to/From | Check Number | Withdrawal | Deposit | Balance   |
|------------|----------|--------------|--------------|------------|---------|-----------|
| 12/31/2025 | Deposit  | Interest     |              |            | .14     | 32,340.26 |
| 1/31/26    | Deposit? | Interest     |              |            |         |           |

#### School District Held Funds:

| Date     | Category         | Paid to/From                                                                                                                                                      | Cleared | Withdrawal | Deposit  | Balance    | Cost approved (meeting date) |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------|----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 12/8/25  | Starting Balance | Transferring \$2000 from PIE checking account to District Funds approved by officers 12/8/25 for efficiency of reimbursing school paid, PIE reimbursed purchases. |         |            |          | \$0.00     | 12/8/2025                    |
| 12/18/25 | Deposit          | ESKo ISD #99- Funds to pay PIE approved purchases through District Office. Check #3005                                                                            | x       |            | 2,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | 12/8/2025                    |

|         |             |                                                                                                                                    |   |        |  |            |           |
|---------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|--------|--|------------|-----------|
| 12/4/25 | Withdrawal  | EXTRA Math online subscription- Uecker/2nd grade                                                                                   | x | 50.00  |  | \$1,950.00 | 11/3/2025 |
| 12/4/25 | Withdrawal  | EXTRA Math online subscription- Peterson/2nd grade                                                                                 | x | 50.00  |  | \$1,900.00 | 11/3/2025 |
| 12/4/25 | PLACEHOLDER | EXTRA Math online subscription- \$100- 2nd grade- approval was for up to \$200 (\$50 per class). Two classes have yet to purchase. |   | 100.00 |  | \$1,800.00 | 11/3/2025 |
| 1/6/26  | Withdrawal  | Second Grade Writing Journals- Uecker/2nd grade                                                                                    | x | 108.72 |  | \$1,691.28 | 1/5/2026  |
|         |             |                                                                                                                                    |   |        |  | \$1,691.28 |           |

- Playground:
  - Jig-Jag Double Climber with Firepoles and OmiSpin Spinner were the chosen items by the students.
  - Estimate for the two items and basic installation is \$20,837.55. This does not include removing mulch, extra drainage/rock aggregate if that's found to be needed, reinstalling mulch etc. Price will likely rise. Community Education still funding 25%.
  - Discussed adding another small spinner - but will go with these two items right now and look at spinner in future.
  - School/Tony in charge of removing zipline.
  - Need to decide how much volunteer work will be done with installation or if some mulch removal can be done when zipline is removed.
  - School will now need to sign contracts, get things finalized.
  - Goal is to have it ready by Fall 2026.
- Fundraiser updates from Celeste:
  - Clothing fundraiser- Celeste updates via Ty.
  - McSchool Night: Wednesday, May 13, 4-7 p.m. Celeste is organizing. Denise will send date to Sam Engen for teacher sign up.
  - Fill the E. Celeste updates via Ty- Celeste is planning for this to happen in the fall.
- Tax filings updates:

- MN non-profit business renewal.
- Federal postcard form 990-N.

#### **Teacher Requests:**

- \$225 for bus driver appreciation - \$10 gift card to each driver (19 drivers); \$35 for overall food stuff. February 18th is date handing out. Ty made motion to approve up to 225\$; Kate seconded. motion passed.
- \$104.01 for 3rd grade - Cupid's Kitchen - ice cream and cups - Ty makes motion to approve - Jess Uecker seconded - motion passed.

#### **Chairperson Updates:**

- School Day Enhancements and Appreciation Subcommittee
  - Kacy- School Day Enhancements- we had a meeting on 2/10 at 6:00. The group decided we will have Teacher Appreciation week be Children's Games Theme this year.

#### **Co-Chairperson Updates:**

- Community Events Committee.
  - Family Gathering Nights.
  - Science Night Thursday, March 19th from 5:30-7:00pm
    - 10 booths so far - will send out flyers week of February 23

#### **Other updates or questions:**

- I Love to Read Month
  - 'Go for the gold' olympics theme
    - Will be asking for monies for snacks on Fridays, gift cards from Barnes and Noble - will get request for March meeting - Allie or Jess Service will fill out request
    - Friday, February 27th - Activity Day

**Meeting Adjourned: 1825**

#### **Upcoming Meeting Dates; all in Board Room at 5:30 pm:**

March 2nd, 2026

April 6th, 2026

May 4th, 2026

Meeting minutes to be sent to Melanie Pliml in Community Education for Esko's Corner submission. Also send to Mrs. Peterson for the school website to post it there as well.