**PTA Waverly Elementary School**

General Membership Meeting

October 10, 2023 6pm

VIRTUAL via Google Meet

Attendance:

Jennifer Bagdasarian

Tiffany Tangen

Atousa Fouladichami

Bernard Toney

Hyunsun Toney

Heather DePriest

Rachel Edoho-Eket

Jin Wei Ni

Alex Liu

Jacqueline Casserly

Jennifer Michels

Jill Ruppe

Mihret Debele

Mrs. Santoni

Amber Taylor

Kelly Van Horn

Benjamin Bach

Cathy He

Julia Zucco

Megan Patzwall

Mercy Debele

Shari Haddaway

Svitlana Bach

Teresa Oswald

Amy Crouch

**Meeting Agenda**

6:00 pm Call to Order (President Jennifer Bagdasarian)

* Review meeting protocol
* Attendance in Chat for meeting (Tiffany to take attendance)

REPORTS FROM SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Update from Dr. Edoho Eket (Principal)

* We set a lot of emails today!
* Flu Vaccine and Covid clinic coming up
  + Must have a consent form signed to receive vaccine during school hours
* Family math night, Please RSVP
* Dibels reports coming home Friday
  + Teachers will f/u
* Trunk or Treat coming up!! Looking forward to it
* Starting this week/or next will begin to discuss parent/teacher conferences
  + Nov 20 – in person conferences only
  + Nov 21,22 – virtual

REPORTS FROM EXEC BOARD

Update from PTAHC Rep (Benjamin Bach)

* BOE meeting on 10/17/23
* Coat Drive district wide
* Minutes and budget can be reviewed PTACHC.org
* Legislative report
  + 9 million dollars for renovations for schools or new schools
* LGBTQ: Rainbow representative at Wavely? Must send in request in November
  + Encouraged to use more inclusive language overall
* Guest speakers:
  + Focused on cyber security
  + Starting up an AI commission
* Complaints from other PTAs about urgent renovations needed in various schools, removed again from this years budget
  + Senators are attempting to assist

Update from Jennifer Bagdasarian (President)

* Need 2 parent volunteers for Flu/vaccine clinic
* Upcoming events
  + Trunk or Treat Oct 28th!
    - 20 Trunks signed up so far…hoping for 30!!!
    - Will have one food truck, two bounce houses, and DJ
  + Turkey Trot Fun Run
    - 1st Annual
    - Nov 18th (Saturday)
    - Fun run…not a 5K
    - Will be a small registration fee and shirts available for purchase
    - Look out for email for volunteer sign ups
  + International Day
    - Nov 28th (Wed.)
    - Parent involvement: can volunteer to come to classroom and talk about family culture and traditions
    - 2 assemblies, recruiting professional performers
* Still need key chair people for committees: in particular International Day and Book Fair
* Parent teacher conference dinner:
  + PTA sponsored on Nov 20th
  + Catered by Zen Garden
  + Need dessert volunteers and also volunteer signups

Update from Heather DePriest (Treasurer)

* Balances haven’t significantly changed
* Completed audit for last fiscal year and completed/filed the taxes
* Official training offered this year
  + Free state PTA formed during COVID time, and instituted own policies
  + Will need books reviewed by 3 non check signing individuals

Update VP Membership

* 203 members
* Congratulations to Kindergarten for winning the membership competition-they will get popsicle party

Update from Amy Crouch (VP Fundraising)

* Yogi Castle raised $202!! Thank you!
* Upcoming Restaurant Nights
  + Monday October 16 -Ledo Pizza Night
  + Saturday November 4 Bagel Bin Day 6:30am-2pm
* Jacqueline Casserly-Spirit wear update
  + 31 orders (78 items sold)
  + Will be delivered in a few weeks to child’s homeroom class

COMMITTEE REPORTS

We will be in need of committee chairs for this upcoming school year!

Thank you to the following parents:

Benjamin Bach PTAHC Rep

Beth Cohen-Reflections

* Reflections Update
* What is Reflections: The Reflections Program allows our students to express themselves through their gifts & talents in the ARTS!!  Each year Maryland students participate in Reflections and produce amazing entries in all six Reflections arts areas, including the following: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts. Each of the six art categories then has its own divisions: Primary includes preschool to 2nd grade; intermediate includes grades 3-5.
* Students may submit entries beginning October 16th, with all entries due NO LATER THAN Friday, November 17th.
* [bethcohen124@gmail.com](mailto:bethcohen124@gmail.com)
* Awards ceremony will be January 18, Raindate January 25
* Need committee members for Reflections please contact me or Beth Cohen with questions

Jin Wei and Priya Abraham-International Day and Cultural Diversity

* Nov 28th
* Two assemblies one for Primary one for Secondary
* Looking for professional performers if you know of any-in particular Salsa dancers,

Julia Zucco, Cathy He and Christina Frederick-Turkey Trot

Melissa Hokman and Li Zhou Yearbook

Erin Miller and Melissa Hokman School Dance

Jin Wei and Priya Abraham-International Day and Cultural Diversity

Sara Scott-Teacher Appreciation Week

Book Fair – URGENT NEED

* May 2025

Theresa Pickett-5th Grade Committee

New Business

* Back pack buddies!
  + Non-perishable food drive
  + First collection for 4th and 5th graders already
  + Next Group will be 2nd and 3rd graders
    - Be on the lookout for that information
  + Will have sign up for community groups to be more involved in the sorting, packing, delivering the food
* Fall picture day:
  + Oct 18th and 19th
  + Schedule has been given to the teachers and they will alert the families
  + Order forms will be emailed.
* Teachers:
  + Will be offering additional funds for grade levels
  + Outside of IA money!