# Waverly PTA Voting Meeting - 10/19/21

#### Attendance:

- Rachel Edoho-Eket
- Kristin Jarerell
- Donna Trang
- Alayne Huntimer
- Michelle Laird
- Shari Haddaway
- Jacqueline Casserly
- Tina LeBaron
- Chandrika Paidi
- Allie Brannan
- Ayanna Baker
- Deep Antes
- Christina Miller
- Shawn Frederick
- (Seyi Onabiyi)

#### Rachel Edoho-Eket

- Combination of Rachel Edoho-Eket and Cheryl Santori's report
- Excited to get ready for Trunk of Treat
  - Still Need Photographers, will get to later.
- MAP testing 1-5
- Dibble Screening All students will be screened unless they have reading accommodations
- Parents can sign up for Virtual Conferences November 8. 15 minute Virtual Conferences
- Over 300 staff and students got their flu vaccines later
- For another month we haven't had a COVID case. Thank you parents for taking your children at home
- More challenging during flu season, just monitor.

### **Shari Haddiway**

- Went to Back to School event and thought it was great. THe lights and set up made it feel like everyone was at a carnival.
- Everyone enjoyed it.

# **Donna Trang - Treasury Report**

- Has not picked up statements from school so budget is the same as last month
- Taxes are done! Once it's done we can get everyone to sign and then give out forms for reimbursement.
- We've spent \$930 this month
- Paypal hasn't gone up sufficiently.

## Deep Antes

- Last PTAHC was here
- Maryland delegates were championing bills that were approved
  - One was special education. Learning continuity plan was passed that requires IEP students also need an Emergency Plan to be in place for emergency situations
  - Howard County redistricting plan was passed that says if the Board of Education is passing a different plan than the Superintendent Proposes than the community affected can speak before the bill is passed.
  - There is a good operating budget for a change. A lot of improvement plans will be looked at. This came from the taxes which came from Amazon and other online retailers.
  - Generally, positive cases are 1400 and 36 staff quarantining. 28 were in Elementary, 8 in middle, 5 in High were seen as close contact.

### Kristin Jarrell

- Attended meeting with the board for PTA Presidents. What is in place with students who
  need to quarantine, but do not have close contact or have not gotten COVID.
  - Can we change recommendation for how long they have to be out?
  - What are we doing to support students who have to quarantine multiple times?
  - No solid answer, but looking at the issue with global data.
- Bus driver shortage was discussed and mentioned the fair
- Extreme shortage with Substitutes across county, State, and Country.
  - Part is that they are usually retired teachers who are at high risk.
- When can teachers work from home?
- Cafeteria
  - Students are not getting enough food with the meal they pick for lunch (more a high school issue)
  - o Cafeteria Workers are needed to distribute food.
  - Students can get free lunch and also bring food
  - Students can not buy extra food
  - Rachel Edoho-Eket added
    - portions are from Federal Government. Portion size is what it is and cannot be changed.
    - Each student gets equal access to go outside once a week. One person is allocated to go outside and students can't go outside even if they bring

a towel because Waverly does not have the extra staff to make everyone safe

- Maryland PTA is Transitioning to Free State PTA. They want PTA Members to join voluntary committees.
- Activities Coming Up
  - o 2 more days for backpack buddies. Have until Thursday 10/21 to donate
  - After this week (4&5th grade they'll transition from 2&3rd graders)
  - Fall Spiritwear is online until November 7th
    - There are sweatshirts
    - Short Sleeve
    - Long Sleeve
  - Next Restaurant Night is October 30 is at Camps 10am 6 pm, where the old Ritas was
  - Reflections is still off and running
    - In years past students would work on part in school
    - This year all needs to be completed at home
  - Added Weis to subscription up and running. You get a card (in the last Waverly Wires). They scan it once and then it's good for 1 time. Works at any Weis so family members can come across the country
  - Truck or Treat is Friday October 29 from 6-7:30
    - Over 45 cars are signed up. Cars are going to come earlier.
    - Walkers should wait until 6 and then park in the circle
    - Decorated cars will each have a number and a space. There will be voting. Everything will be done paperless.
    - Need two photographers, want a picture of every car
    - Families can donate candy, vestibule in front of school they can drop off.
  - Other Fundraising Idea Double Good Popcorn
    - 4 Day Event
    - Done completely online
    - Download app on phone or on computer and then use our Waverly Code to create our personal store
    - Takes 10 minutes or less
    - During the 4 days you would promote your store through links you'd send out or social media
    - Waverly PTA will have our own storefront where parents don't need to set anything up
    - Suggested Dates
      - November 10-14
      - Beginning of December 1-5
      - Push Back to January or February
    - We get 50% and we do not have to distribute
    - Questions:
      - What are prices? 9-12 a bag, \$26, 59, and 99 for bundles
      - When does Cub Scouts sell?

- $\circ\quad$  We reached out and they said we can sell at any time
- Do we only want a PTA site?
  - We have some students who won't want to compete, but some will be engaged by incentive.
- There's no investment, no money out of pocket