

PTA Waverly Elementary School

General Membership Meeting

February 7, 2023 6pm

VIRTUAL via Google Meet

Attendance:

Tiffany Tangen
Jennifer Bagdasarian
Heather DePriest
Amy Crouch
Vanessa Hong
Dr. Edoho-Eket
Mrs. Santoni
Whitney Deal
Ashley Malone
Vinod Ramakrishna
Kelly Van Horn
Svitlana Bach
Jacqueline Casserly
Mihret Debele
Lindsay Mckendry
Mrs Haddaway
Melissa Hoffman
Sara Scott

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)

- Thank you for the dance! Amazing!
- Report cards are out, students making great progress this year.
- Conferences are this week, Thursday and Friday
 - Thursday afternoon ONLY in person
- Science fair – 300 students signed up so far

Update from Mrs. Santoni (Asst. Principal)

- Thank you for the amazing dance!

Update from Mrs. Haddaway (Teacher Liaison)

- 100th day of school is tomorrow
- Looking forward to conferences this week
- Valentines day party – Thank you for the crafts

REPORTS FROM EXEC BOARD

Minutes from January meeting-Motion to approve

- Motion accepted and seconded

Update from Jennifer Bagdasarian (President)

- School Dance-
 - Thank you Melissa Hoko Hoffman, Erin Miller and Amy Crouch for helping organize!
 - Thank you to all the parents who donated to Amazon Smile-we received snacks, decorations, lights, balloons etc . Extra snacks will be repurposed for the 5th grade pool party at the end of this year
 - Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered during the event with set up, cleanup, selling raffle tickets, selling shirts, passing out snacks and tickets, at the photo book
 - Thank you to all of the teachers for their raffle experience prizes
- Valentines Day parent volunteers-teachers have emailed
 - Crafts purchased for all the classes K-5, two different types-a handprint frame for K-2 and a bead keychain project for 3-5
 - Will be distributed to teachers tomorrow!
- Science Fair 3/16 6:30pm Email sent on Friday
- Fun Run 3/30 (Rain date 4/14)
 - Students will participate during their recess
 - Opportunities to sponsor your child
 - Will be using “getmovinfund.com” (they only take 15%)
- Spring Yoga offered on Blacktop-More details TBD
 - Weekly, first come first served
 - Will need to sign up and sign waiver

Update from PTAHC Rep (Whitney Deal)

- \$1.14 Billion dollars is budget for county
 - Ideas on spending go through board then county executive
 - Can only give what board has suggested
 - Give requests!
- 43% growth in budget is due to staff compensation
- 45% of teachers actually live in Howard county
 - Need to compete with surrounding counties to recruit teachers

- Howard is one of the highest paying counties in the state
- Every school has coverage by a social worker now, and a nurse in every school
- Memberhub presented to discuss features

Update from Heather DePriest (Treasurer)

- Treasurer's report
 - Balances: checking \$45,000, Savings \$20,100
- Proposed budget changes:
 1. Move Reflections \$300 Expenditure line into 5th Grade Activities and Tshirts
 - a. T-shirts has a \$1,500 budget currently
 - b. Activities has a \$2,650 budget currently
 2. IA Support Changes – Budgeted \$5,000 for expenditure – recommend realigning \$2,000 to other areas.
 - a. \$1,000 to Family Enrichment, bringing total Fam Enrichment Expenditure budget from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the SY.
 - b. \$1,000 to Staff Appreciation Week bringing total budget from \$3,000 to \$4,000.
- Spent \$5000, which hasn't been replenished by fundraising (\$2,000ish replenished by fundraising at the Winter Dance)
 - Need to target \$8,000-\$10,000 for fundraising
- How much money can be kept in accounts?
 - Was some raised for a new sign?
 - Will table this discussion and do some research
- May propose budget change at next meeting, new budget will be emailed to all voting members

Update from Vanessa Hong (VP Membership)

- Nothing new!

Update from Amy Crouch (VP Fundraising)

- Restaurant nights
 - Chipotle raised \$200
 - Lidos pizza 2/20 4-8 pm
 - Squisito will be in march
 - Yogi castle 5/31
- Dance Raffles
 - Raised almost \$2,000!!!
- More raffles from teachers will be in the fun run
- Minted FUNDAISERWAVERLY: raised \$131.87
- Shop for Education -be sure to update frequent shopper accounts
 - Amazon smile will no longer be doing a partnership with schools
- Fun run 3/30
 - All students can participate and be sponsored

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Fair Committee (Lindsay McKendry- Lindsay.mckendry@gmail.com)

- Preview dates will start 5/15 for 5 days
- Sale dates will be 5/18,22,24
 - Teacher reading night will tie in with K orientation
 - Ice cream social
- Lots of opportunity for Volunteering!
- Discuss donating books for kids who may not be able to buy a book

Yearbook Committee (Melissa Hoffman + Li Deng)

- Cover contest underway due 2/28

5th Grade Committee (Nichole Hauswirth)

- 5th grade party at NSJ Pool this year will be a rising 6th grader celebration with other elementary schools
 - Date of party will be determined in March
 - \$10 to attend (will be a fund for kids who cannot afford)
- Waverly to have a blacktop picnic celebration one evening (Date TBD)

Teacher Appreciation Committee (Sara Scott)

- May 8-12
- Will need Volunteers

New Business

- None

Next PTA General Meeting 3/14/23 6pm via Google Meet