

## **PTA Waverly Elementary School**

### **General Membership Meeting**

March 12, 2024 6pm

VIRTUAL via Google Meet

#### **Attendance:**

Tiffany Tangen

Cathy He

Heather DePriest

Janaye Martinez

Jennifer Bagdasarian

Jill Ruppe

Rachel Edoho-Eket

Kelly Van Horn

Vanessa Hong

Ashley Jolissaint Hopper

Atousa Fouladi

Cheryl Santoni

Benjamin Bach

Shari Haddaway

Amber Taylor

#### **Meeting Agenda**

6:00 pm Call to Order (President)

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

#### **REPORTS FROM SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**

Update from Dr. Edoho-Eket (Principal)

- Thank you to the families who came to the dance and donated their time!
  - Thank you to the staff for donating the student experiences
- Excited for science fair!
  - Posters were due today!
  - Please turn in science fair board ASAP
- School dismisses 12:55pm tomorrow for wellness day
- Spring Break is coming up!
- Chorus concert is on 3/19!

#### Update from Mrs. Santoni (Asst. Principal)

- Weather is getting warmer! We will do a Golden paw print week next week to keep kids following ROAR rules
- Please check lost and found the next time you are in the building

#### Update from Mrs. Haddaway (Teacher Liaison)

- Kindergarten Registration week is HERE! Encourage friends to register early
- April 16<sup>th</sup> is Kindergarten orientation at 630pm
  - Still need 3-4 volunteers to assist
- Thank you so much to the PTA for all of the exciting events you have planned this year.

#### REPORTS FROM EXEC BOARD

#### Update from PTAHC Rep (Benjamin Bach)

- Howard County Board of Education Candidates Forum
  - Sat 3/16@ 12-3pm
  - Howard HS cafeteria
  - Moderated discussion and open forum
- Budget 2025 info was posted on the FB group from the HC council regarding the process and how to get involved
- Contact county executive @ [budgettestimony@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:budgettestimony@howardcountymd.gov) with any concerns
- Survey coming out regarding the new Library proposed
  - This will take away money from new schools
- Superintendent search will yield a survey too regarding what parents and PTAs are looking for in the new superintendent so keep a lookout for those!

#### Minutes from February 2024 meeting

- Some corrections were suggested and will be updated accordingly

#### Update from Jennifer Bagdasarian (President)

- Thank you TEACHERS for the awesome teacher experiences
  - Raised over \$1100 from the raffle items at the dance
- Science Fair 3/14 6:30pm
- Author visit 4/5 sponsored by PTA
  - Volunteers needed during book signing
  - Link to purchase books to be sent out soon (via. Ivy Bookstore)
  - PTA to purchase a copy of Matthew Swanson and Robbie Behr's books for all classrooms and media center
- Book Fair 4/11-4/18 Need additional volunteers to help plan
  - Atousa and Cathy He
  - Once we have class preview schedule we will circulate, will need volunteers to help with preview days
  - Will need volunteers for each sales night

- April 15 Opening Night 6:30-8pm with Teacher Readers (Teachers will be recruited soon)
  - April 16 Kindergarten Orientation 4:30-7:30pm
    - Principal Read aloud is 6-6:15pm
    - Kindergarten orientation 6:30pm
  - April 18 Last night, "Ice Cream social" 6-7pm
    - PTA sponsored Kona Ice
  - Cleanup volunteers needed
- Teacher Appreciation Week 5/6-5/10
  - Volunteers needed
- June 7 end of year party 6-7:30pm
  - Reach out if you want to help plan
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade activities
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade congressional hearing
  - NSJ Pool party 6/12 6:30pm-8:30pm
- BOARD POSITIONS ARE OPEN FOR NEXT YEAR
  - Need President, treasurer, secretary to have a PTA

#### Update from Heather DePriest (Treasurer)

- Treasurer's report
  - \$46,783.92 Checking as of January statement
    - We have spent this down some in the past few months
  - \$20,161.63 Savings as of January statement
  - \$2,000 allotted for end of year picnics/celebrations
    - \$285 per grade
    - Each team lead will get a form asking for links on what to purchase and the PTA will make the order
  - IA funds have not been fully utilized and we can figure out what the grades have left
    - An email will be sent

#### Update from Amy Crouch (VP Fundraising)

- Thank you for attending Squisito restaurant night!
- The Woodstock Inn 4/24 (11am-10pm, 15% back to PTA)
- Yogi Castle 5/22 (all day, 20% back to PTA)
- Excited to announce a new fundraiser! Yoga Haven will be hosting two yoga sessions at the studio, private to Waverly families! Cost will be \$25 per family, online registration to come! April 9th at 7:30pm and May 4th at 11:30am

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Cultural Arts Committee

- Funds available for smaller programs in individual grades

## Book Fair Committee

## Yearbook Committee (Melissa Hoffman + Li Deng)

- Preorders starting now-email to go out this week

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee

- 5<sup>th</sup> grade party at NSJ this year will be a rising 6<sup>th</sup> grader celebration with other elementary schools again
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade T-shirts to be delivered this week

## Backpack Buddies

- 2/3<sup>rd</sup> grade items for HeadStart is being collected right now

## New Business

- Can we post something about an the ice-cream fundraiser from Marriotts Ridge?
  - Yes!
- Girls on the run
  - Registration is over
  - 9 girls are registered
  - Begins on April 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Every Mon and Thurs after that!
  - 5K (June 2<sup>nd</sup>) is the culminating activity, but anyone can register
- When is the last day of school?
  - Has not been announced yet