

WES PTO Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 16, 2024
Wayne Elementary School – Little Theater

PTO Members in Attendance: Maureen Hudson, Juliette Dobson, Anne St. Leger, Arlette Luta, Elizabeth Lee, Laura Haynes, Michele Yost, Lindsay Valentine, Nicki Grossman, Tristan Webster, Ardan Batt, Carrie Deip, Julie Ding, Erissa Borine, Alex Dunlop, Azan Habibi, Stephanie Lim, Zhemwu Li, Laura Haynes, Zafire MacDonald, Isabele Pereira, Nancy Khov, and Kristen Cozart.

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance:

The meeting was called to order at 6:34PM with a welcome from Elizabeth Lee, introduction of the Executive Board, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

The June 10, 2024 PTO Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Principal's Report: Dr. Michael Marzano

Dr. Marzano reviewed the Radnor Township School District Policy Manual originally adopted September 29, 2015.

What's up at Wayne?

- Beginning of Year (BOY) Assessments
- Expectations and positive reinforcement in all spaces
- Upcoming fun events: All School Play on Friday!
- Hispanic Heritage Month 9/15-10/15

What are the principals doing?

- Visiting every classroom for Morning Meeting
- Observing new students in new spaces
- Creating plans based on observations and data collected
- Kicking off school teams and initiatives
- Preparing to analyze BOY assessment data and create our MTSS cycles
- Look out for "Hot Ones" video

Executive Board Reports

President's Report: Elizabeth Lee

What is the PTO?

- Group of parents and teachers that work together to enhance the students experience at WES
- Helps with fundraising, socializing to build community, cultural arts assemblies, providing teachers with additional supplies, and sponsoring larger projects.

Where does our money go?

- Community building: \$10,000
 - o Back to School Picnic
 - o Multicultural Week
 - o Craft Night

- Talent Show
- Teacher Appreciation
- Cultural Arts
- Earth Day Celebrations
- Teacher Grants
- Field Trip Sponsorship: \$1,000/grade
- Larger grants (e.g., New Basketball hoops)
- Scholarship grant to 2 RHS students

Fundraising Activities

- Spring Fair
- Pretzel Fridays
- Book Fair
- 5K
- Bingo
- Trunk or Treat

Call to Action – Register for Membership Toolkit. This is how the PTO communicates with parents.

Completed Activities to Date

- Chalk the Walk
- Back to School Picnic

Goals of the PTO

- Drive volunteer engagement
- Build an effective way of communicating with administration
- Enhance nominating committee
- Continue field trip sponsorships for every grade

Treasurer's Report: Maureen Hudson & Michele Yost
See distributed budget

Spend to date:

- Family Picnic – on budget
- Student t-shirts – under budget

Earnings to date:

- Pretzel sales remain open as of date of meeting

Total Budget for Appropriations for this Year: \$20,000

- Motion for approval of \$1,000 Field Trip Sponsorship per grade made, seconded, and approved.

Proposed Appropriations:

Mrs. Waters: ~\$244

- 4 wobble stools for alternative seating in the back of her

Mrs. Weiland: ~\$350

- Classroom rug

Committee Reports:

5th Grade Committee – Megan Talone, Kristin Decker

- Looking for volunteers to help with Yearbook, Class Gift, Promotion Ceremony, and 5th Grade Field Day

Book Fair – Arlette Luta, Liz Lee

- Looking for new committee members

Trunk or Treat – Sannu Chawla, Sandy Jones

- Need 40+ trunks, 3-5 volunteers for set up, and candy donations\
- October 25th

WES 5K – Anne Holiday, Elyse Salek

- November 17th
- 1M at 8:30am or 5K at 9:00am
- 10 volunteers needed day-of to direct runners and cars
- 5 volunteers needed to sign in runners

Pretzel Fridays – Lindsey Valentine

- Signups close Friday 9/20
- Deliveries begin Friday 9/27

Spirit Gear – Emily Maclosky

Library Volunteers – Christina Burke, Nicole Moore

- Online registration in the WES Press and the Radnor Reader available through mid-October
- Celebration Books – parents donate a book of child’s choice during their birthday month. Book has a donation inscription with child’s name.

Parent Socials – Caroline Sullivan

- Parents only
- Family from each grade hosts, potluck
- See WES Press for dates

Upcoming Events:

Picture Day: 9/25
Coffee with the Principals 10/1
Book Fair: 10/13-10/18
Trunk or Treat: 10/25
November PTO Meeting: 11/11
WES Running Bee 5K and Fun Run: 11/17
Craft Night: 12/11

Meeting adjourned at 7:35PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Juliette Dobson, PTO Secretary

Next meeting will be held on November 11, 2024 at 6:30pm in the Little Theater