



General Membership Meeting
September 18, 2025 at 7:30 pm
Time Warp Bar

Call meeting to order at 7:41 PM by Samantha Harriger.

Meeting was attended by: Samantha Harriger, Diane Metzger, Sarah Major, Julia Knotek, Tiffany Logan, Sarah Hughes, Lauren Larkin, Allyson Mears, Nick Miller, Linda Bradley, Rebecca Levet, Skye Huntington, Jinal Chokshi, Lipi Shah, Clarissa Miguel, Brad Lamb

Officer Reports

- President (Samantha Harriger) - Thank you for being here!
 - Executive Board Introductions:
 - 1st VP - Katie Krueger
 - Fundraising Chair - Diane Metzger
 - Secretary - Erin Kollar
 - Treasurer - Allyson Mears
 - Council Delegates - Christina Sivori & Lauren Larkin
 - Star Player: Allyson Mears - Adulthood! She is amazing! Not only is she the treasurer, but she is the president at WECPTA and a mom of 5!!
 - Approve 2025-26 Code of Conduct & Conflict of Interest
 - Erin Kollar moves to approve the DISPTA Code of Conduct for 2025-2026. Seconded by Lauren Larkin. No discussion. All in favor. No opposed. No abstentions.
 - Lauren Larkin moves to approve the Conflict of Interest for DISPTA for 2025-2026 school year. Seconded by Diane Metzger. No discussion. All in favor. No opposed. No abstentions.
- 1st VP (Katie Krueger)
- Fundraising (Diane Metzger)
 - Getting ready to launch the Reading Challenge - will happen November 4th through the 21st.
 - Public Goal is \$10,000
 - Diane will be talking to staff at the school about what the goals should be for books and chapters, etc.
 - There will be the opportunity for sponsorship packages for interested businesses, and Diane is requesting in-kind donations of items that can be used as prizes for the students.
 - Diane is looking for volunteers to solicit for donations. ***If you own a business that may be interested in donating, or have contacts in the community that may be interested in donating, please contact them.*** Benefits are logos on websites, signs in front of school, etc.
- Recording Secretary (Erin Kollar)
 - Please sign in and report any service hours for the prior month.
 - Service hours can also be reported via the google form that is available on the DIS PTA website and will be shared in the blast. Do not report any hours in the form that you have reported in person at a meeting.
 - If you are a committee chair, reports are welcome to be sent to DISPTArecordingsec@gmail.com prior to or after the meeting for inclusion in the meeting notes.
- Treasurer (Allyson Mears): Met with Samantha and Diane about the budget. The budget looked great from last year, but they made the following adjustments from last year:
 - Deleted the line-item for garden club for income and expenses
 - Changed Read-a-thon to Reading Challenge in both income and expenses
 - Updated the expected income from Reading Challenge to \$8,000
 - Updated the expected income from Penny Wars to \$2000
 - Added Fundraisers to expense portion, identifying Reading Challenge, Penny Wars, and "Other"
 - Added \$100 to expense portion to expenses (miscellaneous bucket)

- Updated Fundraiser expenses to \$400
- Updated student winter activity to \$550
- Allyson moves to pass the 2025-2026 DIS PTA budget - Seconded by Sarah Hughes. No discussion. All in favor; No opposed; No abstentions.
- Council Delegates (Lauren Larkin/Tina Sivori)
 - Working on rebranding Dollars for Scholars due to legality to continuing using Dollars for Scholars. Also looking to update the event to bring in people from all schools and ages
 - Please take advantage of shopping at Dean's for your fall foliage to benefit the Westlake Council of PTAs through October 15th

Standing Committee Reports

- Administration (Mr. Miller):
 - Thank you for the Dover Campus Cook-Out. We start out every school year with a campus-wide cook-out and we appreciate the PTA's help with that.
 - There is a new front door to the office. It's been moved from the side of the building to the front of the building. This creates a vestibule and is a security update.
 - The black top in the playground area was resurfaced
 - New cafeteria tables - not from 1984 anymore!
 - There are a lot of clubs and activities - Student Council, Math Club, etc. starting up soon.
 - If you're a 6th grade parent, Camp Nuhop is coming up!! 3 days, 2 nights in the woods! Yay! Sept 29th through Oct. 1st.
 - 5th grade field trip to the Metroparks to the Watership Stewardship Center at the end of September.
 - Picture Day is on October 17th.
 - Lots of Positive Office Referrals - Good phone calls home! And students can earn Dover Dough that they can spend at the Dover Depot. Look for volunteer opportunities to staff the Dover Depot for students to shop. The sign-up will come out in the e-blast this week. The shifts are from 10-12:30 during all the lunch periods.
 - Spirit wear fundraiser coming up to raise money to stock the Dover Depot. Any fundraiser from the school goes to stocking the Dover Depot since they can't use any other budget for that.
 - Question: Are there items that are always stocked in the Dover Depot that we could donate? Trading Cards, They can take donations of anything. There will be a wishlist in the eblast.
- *Advocacy/Parliamentarian (Julia Knotek)*
- *Art Show (Lisa McPeck)*
- Audit (Melissa Carlisle)
 - Volunteers are needed for the Audit Committee! The Audit team meets over the summer to conduct the financial review.
- *Beautification (Helen Bridge)*
- Book Club (open)
 - Looking for a book club chair - usually meets at 2:45-3:30p on a monthly basis. Becca Levet is interested.
- *Book Fair (Amy Hoy/Elyse Moore)*
- Community Service - Food and Toiletry Drive (Open)
 - Need a Chair to start immediately
 - Dates for the Food & Toiletry Drive are October 20th through 24th
 - DIS collects peanut butter & jelly
 - Staff contacts are (Dawn Dawson and Samantha Lahoud)
 - Clarissa Miguel is interested
 - Aldi Contact may be able to donate on the corporate level (in the future??)
- Fall Fest (Tomoka Sasinka) -
 - Fall Fest is scheduled for 10/9.
 - Volunteer sign-up will be in 9/21 e-blast. Volunteers need to sign up by October 2nd
- *Field Day (Jessica Wells)*
- *Founders' Day (Elyse Moore)*
- *Halloween Party (Emily Emmerich/Katie Krueger)*
- *Health and Safety (Sarah Hughes)*

- *Hospitality (Jennifer Brogan)*
- I.D.E.A. (open) - Seeking a chair for this committee!
- Membership (Samantha Harriger) - Currently have 155 members - more than at this time last year! Please join if you haven't. 126 family membership, 40 staff memberships. Mr. Miller is going to incentivize staff to join.
- Music Boosters (Lori Negrón) - Volunteer if you can, Boosters needs help in the concession stand at the football games. There is a spirit wear sale going on now.
- PBIS (Betsey Burkey)
- Reading Programs (Tomoka Sasinka)
 - Summer Reading Challenge - completed boards were due 9/12. 24 students completed the challenge and will receive a \$10 certificate to use at the Book Fair.
 - Sip While You Flip - Weeks of October 6th and 13th students will have the opportunity to drink lemonade and peruse different book genres at the library. Supplies have been ordered.
- Reflections (Hilary Nemecek);
 - Nationwide PTA Art competition. Hillary is trying to raise the profile of the program and get the art teachers involved.
 - Planning for a creation session at the library and will need volunteers to help with those.
 - January 9th is the deadline. "I belong" is the theme.
 - It would be fun to have an individual project and then also work on a community or group project that would match up with the theme of "I belong."
- *Scholarships (Evy Tidwell)*
- Service Club (D.I.S.C.) (Tiffany Garcia/Samantha Harriger)
 - First meeting was scheduled for today, but Tiffany was ill so Samantha postponed until next Tuesday.
 - First project is to make posters for the Lutheran Home Alzheimer Awareness Walk that they participate in during the school day.
 - Suggestions are welcome!
- *Sixth Grade Recognition (Jennifer Brogan)*
- Social Media (Tina Sivori)
 - Tina is doing a wonderful job with content - check out the page and send her things to post!
- *Staff Appreciation (Lauren Kaplafka)*
- *Staff Grants (Sherry Sanfilippo)*
- *Student Activities-6th (Katie Newton)*
- *Winter Activity (OPEN)*

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Special guests Samantha's mom and Brad Lamb - thank you for being here!

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.