

**March 2026
PTA Meeting Minutes**

1. Principal's update

- a. \$18,000 already for the Glow Run!
 - i. Met the recess goal and popcorn and movie goal.
 - ii. Have a plan for kids with sensory needs.
- b. Neighborhood patrols will end after Spring Break; however, there will be an adult volunteer on Johnson and 34th and another location on Ulysses, as people sign up. Moving to ongoing safety and traffic control.
- c. Five positions open, interviews in April and May
 - i. K, 1st, 4th, ASD, Music
 - ii. 3 x SEAs- interview in June
- d. Registration night in May for incoming Kinders.
- e. 5th grade ceremony in June.
- f. Track and Field Day is last day of school!
- g. New flooring- Everything has to be boxed up at the end of the year, need volunteers!

2. Comm. Ed/MPLS Parks updates- Anthony

- a. Waite Park Community Council (WPCC) annual meeting last Thursday- not as well attended, could be due to weather, still successful. New board positions filled. Toby is the new president. Two year terms, staggered. 15 total positions.
- b. Youth sports open: sand volleyball, baseball, softball, track and field, flag football. Registration closes April 8th.
- c. Basketball season ending this weekend. 12U in the semifinals tonight. Players can keep the uniforms.
- d. Registration is going to be centralized. List top three sites.
- e. Summer Rec Plus K-5 start June 22 Aug 28, Friday, July 3 is only date off, Waite is full, there are openings at other sites.
- f. Spring break Rec Plus will be in session. Community Center will be open at noon. Check for open gym schedule.
- g. Preschool survey going out. What does preschool look like in recreation departments.
- h. 13-18 year olds referee training bootcamp April 1 and 2. Paired with a seasoned referee. Able to apply to be a referee, which is a paid position. \$20-\$30 per game.
- i. Teen Teamworks- Job applications available for ages 14-18. Deadline is April 12. All recreation centers have the paper applications (not electronic yet.)

3. WPSS/MFPS updates

- a. Groceries- Six rounds of grocery shopping and deliveries completed. 9-12 families served each time. Done for now. Shifting to Everymeal non-perishables and grocery gift cards. Everymeal will continue through PTA and the school. Food goes home in student backpacks. Accepting grocery gift cards.

- b. Patrols- Patrols winding down after spring break. Not much activity near our school. Activity in NE. Over 120 people have volunteered. Huge thank you! Signal group will continue. Traffic safety committee will be revived and continue.
- c. Mutual aid- Rental assistance for April 1 in process, new partnership with the Waite Park Wesleyan Church. Look for Give Butter campaign.
- d. Huge thank you to Christian and Danielle for leading all this amazing work!! (and Carmen, Josie, Shauna, David, and everyone else!)
- e. Moving to three levels of continuing this work with the following contacts:
 - i. Legislative efforts- Carmen and Danielle
 - ii. District level team- Christian
 - iii. School level- Josie
- f. Training on school budgets on Tuesday!

4. Treasurer's Update

- a. Local business sponsorship for Glow Run tshirts- Turbo Tims, Katrina DeWitt, Eastside Food Co-op
- b. Scholastic money for teacher classroom libraries.
- c. Book Fair BOGO

5. PTA Updates & Events

- a. Glow Run Thursday, March 26 during the day.
- b. 6:30p-7:30p Glow Run Dance! Celebration of meeting our goals. Caregivers must attend with children. No food or drinks will be served.

6. Grants

- a. Petting zoo
- b. Gems Gise tshirts
- c. Children's Museum for kindergarten
- d. Approx. \$3000 left

7. Next meeting April 9th 6:30-7:30p

- a. **Think about joining the board or a committee for next year!**