

# Westchester Elementary PTA Meeting

October 17, 2023 / 8:30 AM / PTA Room

## Call to Order

Noelle called to Order the General PTA Meeting at 8:30a. Meeting adjourned at 9:19am.

## Agenda and Minutes

The agenda for the current meeting was posted online prior. Minutes from the last meeting on September 19, 2023, were posted online. Lisa motioned to approve the minutes. Meghan 2nd. All approve. None oppose.

## Financial Report

The September financial report was posted online for review prior to meeting. Noelle provided an update. *Rachel motioned to approve the financial report. Alicia 2nd. All approve. None oppose.*

## Principal's Report

Ms. Geraine provided the update

- Adding another pre-k class, and hiring more assistants for this grade. Ms. Schmidt has been hired to help with remedial skills in 3rd grade.
- Creole speaking para will be coming on board to support our students that speak creole.
- Literacy night and book fair was successful
- Started walk to read program, not in K or 5th. For 30 min everyday they walk to their class that they're assigned in for their reading intervention. The ones that are not in those programs also do enrichments in their class.
- Our (5th grade) will be working with middle school (Sawgrass) in science and other topics to make their transition easier.
- Ms. Knight - gave scholastic dollars (\$5 each) to all families in transition, and this was successful.

## Committee Updates

**Noelle provided the update.**

- SRO Report - Safety Committee: Officer Pasicek said we need a traffic report on this issue on the side of the school in order to find a resolution.
- Last day of Candy drive for trunk or treat is 10/20 - 3rd currently in 1st place at 211 lbs.

- Harvest Drive - dates for collection have been moved up, and ends 10/30. Canned foods, dried goods, no glass items, nothing that will spoil.
- Will have incentive at trunk or treat (10/27) called cans for treats - whoever brings in the most canned goods will win a prize.
- Give back Night - 10/17 at Texas Roadhouse - 3-10p (Dine in and Take Out) - recommend to bring a flyer. This is in conjunction with their kids night that they have every Tuesday at the restaurant.
- Current Spirit Wear sale ends 10/22. These shirts are also a great alternative to field trip shirt. Sizing questions, perhaps we can vote on the gilded cut.
- 5th grade field trip today to see Dr. Kaboom at Broward
- Need volunteers for Trunk or Treat 5-7p and 7-9p shifts.
- Prepaid pizza combos for trunk or treat for \$5 - pre-pay order Oct. 24
- Yearbook price increase starts Dec 1st.
- Thankful for grandparents TBD - they can come in and have coffee or tea.
- Fun run Anthony Rizzo fundraiser will open Nov. 9th and close on Dec. 3rd. Biggest prize is if they raised \$500 and have a day as the principal. If it's successful we could have more of these days. The purpose is to fundraise our privacy fence, and the projector in the lunchroom area needs upgrading. On Dec, 13th we have a day of celebration like Winter theme relay races that will occur during their specials. All children regardless of money raised will participate.
- The Candy Drive winner grade will have a celebration on Nov. 3rd. Grade team will decide on pizza or ice cream.
- Our goal is 200 pta members, 4 people away from making this goal.

## Upcoming Dates

Oct. 17 - Give back night - Texas Roadhouse 3-10p

Oct. 18 - Kid of Character - Responsibility

Oct. 21- Bones to Books at Library with Zoey 1-2p.

Oct. 22- Spirit shirt sale ends.

Oct. 23-27 - Red ribbon week

Oct. 23- Early release

Oct. 24- Order pizza by this day.

Oct. 24- Teacher planning day. No school

Oct. 26th- Read for the record, K-1.

Oct. 25-26th - 4th grade field trip farm and forensic studies.

Oct. 27- Trunk or Treat - volunteer sign ups begin 10/1

Oct. 31- Fall Parade - fall parties

Oct. 30-Nov. 9 - Harvest Drive

Nov. 1st- SAC meeting

Nov. 2nd- Make up picture day

Nov. 9th-Dec. 3rd - Fun Run Fundraiser

Nov. 7th - No school

Nov. 8th- Submissions due for reflections.

Nov. 10 - No school

Nov. 14- 2nd grade palm beach zoo field trip.

Nov. 14 - PTA meeting, room parent meeting to follow.

Dec. Kindergarten seeing Nutcracker

Dec. 2nd- Holiday shop set up.

Dec. 4-8th - Holiday shop

Dec. 13th - Fun Run Celebration day - relay races

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