

# Westchester Elementary PTA Meeting

September 19, 2023 / 8:30 AM / PTA Room

## Call to Order

Noelle called to Order the General PTA Meeting at 8:33a. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 am.

## Agenda and Minutes

The agenda for the current meeting was posted online prior. Minutes from the last meeting on August 29, 2023, were posted online. Lisa motioned to approve the minutes. Debbie 2nd. All approve. None oppose.

## Financial Report

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

- *Motion to increase Trunk or Treat budget from \$15,000-\$22,000. Veronica motions to approve. Ashley 2nd. All in favor. None oppose.*
- *Website budget increase: Merging websites will help increase our communication. Email will come through telling you something was posted as well as volunteer reminders. Motion to increase budget from \$500-\$750 for the year. Rachel motions to increase, Lisa 2nd. All approve. None oppose.*

## Principal's Report

**Ms. Goodman and Ms. Jeffrey provided the update.**

- A Safety Committee will be forming. Meghan Maldonado is committee chair. If interested: reach out to Ms. Jeffrey in the front office and leave contact information. Noelle will also share our committee sign ups with Ms. Jeffrey.
- SRO-Officer Pasicek - Start program called GRADE, similar to DARE program-only for 5th graders.

## Committee Updates

**Noelle provided the update.**

- Safety Committee- fundraising for privacy/security fence on side of school.
- Candy Drive will start Oct. 2nd until Oct. 20th for Trunk or Treat. The winning grade will be decided by weight. Party for winners will be on Nov. 3rd. The candy will get distributed

throughout the grades and faculty. Each grade will have a trunk as well as front office and officer Pasicek.

- *Can have contests between the sponsors and trunks.*
- *Could also move more trunks by the games area, and to split up the pizza sales so there are more than 1 line for it.*
- *Swag for sale at Trunk or Treat*
- Go to westchesterpta.com to sign up to volunteer at upcoming events, picture day, book fair set up, book fair and literacy night.
- E-wallet is the best way to buy books at book fair. Monies do roll over if there is any leftover.
- Read for the record - know of any professionals that can come in to read to the kindergartners, please reach out to Noelle.
- Fall party is usually the same day as fall parade, but it is up to the teachers.
- Fun Run has been rescheduled to Nov.
- Holiday Shop- part of funds raised here goes to the end of the year 5th grade party. 5th grade parents are encouraged to help out. As well as other volunteers.
- Need a lot of volunteers for Safety Town. Need 6 volunteers per classroom.
- Zoey is a school therapy dog. Please sign handout so that she can visit classrooms. Will also be at the Library on Oct. 30th for wagging tail tutor.
- International program help to integrate new broward families will be at literacy night.
- We are a Title 1 school
- SAC-happening at your school, SAF what's happening in your district. SAF meetings are held at Monarch HS monthly. Next meeting 9/21 at 6p.
- Box Tops-App: scan in receipt and pick organization (westchester) and we get percentage of purchase.
- 185 PTA members as of last night 9/18/23. Class with most PTA members will win ice cream party.

## Upcoming Dates

Sept. 19th- Kid of Character Cooperation

Sept. 21st - Title 1 Orientation- virtual 7pm.

Sept 25th- No School

Field trip shirts on sale now until Oct. 1

Oct. 3rd - Interim reports out

Oct. 6th - Individual Picture Day-4 cameras and 8 people along with school volunteers.

Oct. 4th- SAC meeting 2:30p. All encouraged to come.

Oct. 6th - Book fair set up.

Oct- 9-13th - Book Fair - volunteers needed.

Oct. 11th-Literacy Night-volunteers needed.

Oct. 2nd - Oct. 20th - Candy Drive for trunk or treat.

Oct. 17 - Next PTA meeting

Oct. 2-22nd - Next sale of t-shirts starting.

Oct. 23- Early release

Oct. 24- Teacher planning day. No school

Oct. 26- Ranch 4th grade field trip.

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

Oct. 30-Nov. 9 - Harvest Drive

Nov. - Fun Run Fundraiser

Nov. 8th- Submissions due for reflections.

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

Dec. Kindergarten seeing Nutcracker

Dec. 2nd- Holiday shop set up.

Dec. 4-8th - Holiday shop

Jan. 18- Islands of Adventure - 5th grade

<b>To</b>	ta
<b>Cc</b>	
<b>Bcc</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	

Jan. 23,24,25 - Safety Town

Feb. 9th- 4th grade Sea World

Meeting Adjourned by Noelle by 9:37am.

