

Westchester Elementary PTA Meeting

December 12th, 2023 / 8:30 AM / PTA Room

Call to Order

Noelle called to Order the General PTA Meeting at 8:34a. Meeting adjourned at 9:31am.

Agenda and Minutes

The agenda for the current meeting was posted online prior. Minutes from the last meeting on November 14, 2023, were posted online. Veronica motioned to approve the minutes. Rachel 2nd. All approve. None oppose.

Financial Report

The November financial report was posted online for review prior to meeting. Noelle and Danielle provided an update. Deb motioned to approve the financial report. Stephanie 2nd. All approve. None oppose.

Principal's Report

Ms. Goodman provided the update

- We are an A school.
- Spirit week will be next week 12/18-12/22 (There will be activities each day for the kids)
- Chorus and Drama club 12/20 there will have a performance. It's mainly for the parents of the students involved in the club.
- We are working on having another McDonalds night since last year was so successful. Hope to schedule this for April 2024.

Committee Updates

Noelle provided the update.

- Reflections - Deb has been running this committee. The projects have been submitted, and the winners have been chosen. We have 7 winners moving on the county level.
- MLK project - Ms. Cooper put this together (Peace and Color). On January 11th there will be a ceremony for the winners. Ms. Fentress, Ms. Cooper and Ms. Krouch placed 3rd in showing.
- Giving Tree- Still need clothes for our families. Meghan has been heading this. Help needed to sort through toys and items on Thursday 12/14 at 8am. We have 18 families that need help in our school. (Idea) Next year, we can do an "angel tree" where a child picks an

ornament from the tree that may say girl size M and likes barbies and that's how we can buy to make sure everyone gets what they need.

- Warm Up for a Cause - we made \$8501.
- 11 students in drawing for being principal for the day. We will see how we can get all 11 students involved.
- We were able to donate \$1000 to the Anthony Rizzo foundation from this fundraiser.
- Estimate for the fence is \$3500, we will start the process at the front of the school and then work our way up to the side of the school. The remaining funds will go to benches for outside and parts of our school improvement project.
- The play areas are part of the school improvement. We can bring this up again to Ms. Geraine and she can take ideas to the school board for how we can improve those areas.
- Hour of Code - Ryan Gates headed this project. It was an hour where classes came in and learned how to code. This was open to the whole school.
- Holiday Shop - was successful. Meghan headed this.
- Yearbook sales - currently in 2nd phase of sales. Now until Jan. 15th \$30 with name stamp and \$25 without name.
- Snow day celebration - 12/19 - will be throughout the day, thanking students for participating in the fundraiser. Snow cones, relays, pie toss, snow games. 30 minute sessions for the kids during their specials.
- Room parents and winter parties - 1-2 volunteers for the party. No helium balloons allowed and be cognizant of student allergies and sensitivities
- Volunteers - when in school volunteering, please only use the restrooms at the front office. No adult should use student bathrooms in the school.
- When using delivery for pizza - please make sure you put the teacher's name so that the front office knows where the pizza is going.
- Volunteers please stay in your classroom. Do not move between classes unless it's approved with both teachers.
- Also remember to check in at the front desk for safety and accountability.
- Activities and clubs we are working on currently - Chess club (need a parent volunteer to head this club)- after this the teacher who is interested can sponsor the club.
- At the SAC meeting last year- voted to buy tv and sound equipment, and we will start tv morning announcements in January.
- The 2nd half of the 2nd grade field trip will be rescheduled soon.

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 16- Holiday festival at Coral Glades HS, \$5 for kids and adults are free. 11a-1:30p

Dec. 18-Dec. 22- Spirit Week

Dec. 19- Snow Day Celebration

Dec. 21st _ Teacher Luncheon 9-1p

Dec. 21st - SAF meeting at Monarch HS 6:15-8:45p

Dec. 23- Bones to Books Zoey 1-2p at NW library

Dec. 25-Jan 5th- Winter Break

Jan 9th- PTA meeting followed by room parent meeting

Jan. 10th- 5th grade meeting 6p

Jan. 11th - MLK ceremony at coral springs performance center at 6p.

Jan. 17th- Early release

Jan. 27th - Title 1 session in person

Jan. 30th- debate tournament - need judges. Email Ms. Silcox if you're interested.

Meeting adjourned at 9:31a.