

Westchester Elementary PTA General Meeting Tuesday, September 2, 2025 8:30am; Cafeteria

1. Call to Order - Noelle Cheresnick called the meeting to order at 8:38am.

2. New Business

- **a. Introduction** Introduction to the board & what the PTA does. All PTA membership funds and donations go towards activities and things for the kids.
- **b.** May Meeting Minutes A copy of May's minutes was provided in the meeting and reviewed. It can also be reviewed by visiting the PTA website. Rachel moved to approve May's minutes. Johana seconded. Motion approved.
- **c.** May & June Financial Statement A copy of May & June's Financial statement was provided in the meeting and reviewed. It can be reviewed by visiting the PTA website. These statements end last year's budget. Staci moved to approve the May & June's financial statement. Hayley seconded. Motion approved.
- **d.** 2025 2025 Budget Statement A copy of the proposed budget was provided in the meeting and reviewed. It can also be reviewed by visiting the PTA website. Hayley moved to approve the 2025 2026 Budget Statement financial statement. Rachel seconded. Motion approved.
- **e.** <u>July Financial Statement</u> A copy of July's Financial statement was provided in the meeting and reviewed. It can be reviewed by visiting the PTA website. This is the beginning of the 2025-2026 Budget. Kayla moved to approve the July financial statement. Stephanie seconded. Motion approved.

f. Principal Report

- i. Mrs. Geraine introduced herself and the Assistant Principals: Mrs. Goodman and Mr. Hartner who is at the school part-time. We are no longer a Title 1 School which means we lost a lot of support positions. We are underenrolled compared to last year's enrollment but we are overenrolled from last year's projections. Intermediate grades have higher enrollment than kindergarten.
- ii. Tomorrow is the first SAC meeting which is run by Ms. Goodman and Mrs. Martin. The SAC committee goes over the budget and other important topics for the school. Meetings are usually the first Wednesday of the month after school in the media center.
- **iii.** Book Buddies is starting today. The goal is to get a book vending machine which would be around \$4000-\$5000.
- **iv.** School safety was discussed. All staff are now wearing new badges that can alert local authorities of an emergency situation. Once activated, GPS location begins for the specific badge and authorities are contacted. Introduced Officer Pez to the group.

g. Upcoming Events for September

i. Book Buddies Fundraiser starts today. Yearbook Sales start today. Yearbook package deal if you sign up & join PTA. It is also Picture Day today.

h. Committee Updates

i. Fundraising

- 1. Book Buddies Starts today. Forms going home
- **2. Digital Marquee** Wish your Wildcat a Happy Birthday on our digital marquee. Purchase at https://tinyurl.com/BirthdayPaws. Cost is \$10 and the message stays on the marquee for 24 hours. Must reserve 2 weeks prior to the requested date.
- 3. **Family Night** Come out and dine at Pasquale's and/or Cold Stone Creamery between the hours of 4pm 9pm. Make sure to mention Westchester Elementary and these businesses will donate 15% of the proceeds.

ii. Room Parents

- 1. Teachers are supposed to turn in interest forms today. Rachel will contact parents as she receives them.
- 2. There are only 3 meetings and it is required for head room parents to attend. Head room parents are also required to become a PTA member. The first meeting is 9/15.

iii. Book Fair

- 1. Coming up in September. Will take place over 2 weeks. Sign up for volunteer shifts will be given to the committee members before passing it to room parents to share.
- **iv. Volunteers** Visit <u>www.westchesterpta.com/volunteer</u> to help PTA committees and sign up for shifts.

3. New Business

a. Join PTA - During the month of September, we are holding a competition for class participation in PTA membership. If your class has 100% membership for PTA. The teacher will get a \$20 gift card to their class for whatever they need. Please use the website link to join. Membership price will increase on 10/1.

4. Sponsor Spotlight

a. <u>Lumberjack Jake Tree Service</u> was introduced. Thank you for your sponsorship Lumberjack Jake! If you own a business and are interested in ways to help our PTA, please email Brianna at <u>westchesterpta.partners@gmail.com</u>.

5. Questions/Closing

a. No questions or announcements at this time. Rachel moved to adjourn the meeting. Johana seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:34am.

NEXT GENERAL PTA MEETING:

October 7, 2025 @ 6:30pm via Zoom

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Upcoming dates:

| Date & Time | Activity |
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| Tuesday, September 2nd | 2025 - 2026 Yearbook Sales Begin Book Buddies Begin |
| Thursday, September 4th | Football Spirit Day Fall Fundraiser: Papa John's |
| Thursday, September 11th 4pm - 8pm | Family Night: Pasquale's & Cold Stone |
| Friday, September 12th | Grandparent's Day Celebration (RSVP needed) |
| Monday, September 15th 8:30am (PTA Room) | First Room Parent Meeting |
| Friday, September 19th During dropoff | Donuts with Dudes |
| Tuesday, September 23rd | No School |
| Monday,, September 29th - Wednesday, October 1st | Fall Book Fair (Volunteers Needed) |
| Wednesday, October 1st | PTA Membership Price Increases to \$15 |
| Thursday, October 2nd | No School |
| Tuesday, October 7th - Wednesday, October 8th | Fall Book Fair (Volunteers Needed) |
| Tuesday, October 7th 6:30pm on Zoom | General PTA Meeting |
| Wednesday, October 8th 6pm - 8pm | Book Fair Family Night: Bingo, Baskets, & Books |

More dates available at https://www.westchesterpta.com/calendar.