

Wanaque School PTA
January 7, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm

LT: Happy New Year! Welcome and thanks for coming out tonight, cannot believe 2019 is here

Superintendent: Excused

Mr. Frick: Thank you to the PTA for the holiday basket. Awards assembly will be this Friday 1/11 as follows:

Grades K-4 @ 9:00am

Grades 5-8 @ 10:00am

January 18th the town nurse will have a presentation to the school on the dangers of vaping

Mrs. Luke, Vice Principal: Nothing to report

BOE: Excused

LT: Thank you to all our teachers who came out tonight, we appreciate your support

Mrs. Spirko: March 7 at Haskell school will be the talent show. We are in need of volunteers to assist with crowd control and monitoring the halls. We would like to request 3 from each school.

Officers:

Tracy Purcella – 1st VP: nothing to report

Juanita Villacis – corresponding secretary: Nothing to report

Sharon Berkenbushh – Treasurer: Nothing to report

Lisa Bellante – 2nd VP: nothing to report

Yvette Stoker – Recording Secretary: Nothing to report

After School Clubs: All clubs are moving forward, children are having a great time.

Bingo: Next Bingo is scheduled for 1/11/19. Please remember this is not a babysitting service, parents must stay with and look after their kids. There was an incident at this past bingo that was not acceptable. This is a family event and the children should be there to play bingo. Prizes should be opened at home and should not become the focus of the event, kids are there to play bingo.

Box tops: Iman: We received our first check, \$695. We will be receiving another one in April, please continue to hand in your box tops. Mr. Murray's 4th grade class was the winner for this first submission. In addition to the snack voucher, winners for the next submission will also get a pajama day. Deadline for submission is 2/28/19

Cultural Arts: Lenape Indians will visit the 4th grade, our second anti-bullying assembly will be coming in April. Mrs. Remington is bringing in an author for the younger children. If you have any ideas for an assembly, please let us know!

Dances: Holiday dance for 4th and 5th graders was a great success. Mr. Evans did a fantastic job. There were 2 winners, one from each school, for the ugly sweaters and they each received a \$15 Applebee's gift card. Spring dances will be at Haskell for 4th and 5th. 2/8/19 will be the 6th-8th grade dance and the big Guy lil Gal dance will be in May.

Mother and son activity: Tracy: January 25, 6:30-8:30pm at Wanaque. Mr. T and Ms. S will put together all the activities. There will be refreshments. Get your permission slips in so that we have a preliminary head count.

Dine to donate: More to come

Drama 3-8: Jen Spear: Auditions are going great, 42 students are participating. We need a lot of parents to volunteer, too much for one. Please sign up to assist with whatever time you can spare.

Egg Hunt: open committee: more to come

8th grade: Kathy Krafton & Dana Hoogmoed: Meeting scheduled for 1/17 to discuss themes and to start the countdown activities

Field Day: Scheduled for 6/7, rain date 6/10

Fundraising: open committee: Gertrude Hawke was fantastic; we profited \$4387 from the sale. Mum sale yielded \$1400. So far we are doing very well

Book fair: Joanne: Next book fair will be in the spring. We made about \$4000 on the last one, \$1000 in cash and the rest on account for things we may need in the library this year. The PTA purchased books for every student as a holiday gift, we hope to do that at the end of the year again.

Holiday Bazaar: open committee: Great success, thanks to Amanda and Tracy and all volunteers for pulling it together. The middle schoolers did a great job as well. We made about \$2000

Holiday Shop: Shana: Did well this year, Shana will get us totals in the next little while

Kids Stuff Books: Shana: Will resume in the Fall

Membership: Nicole: If you are not a member, please make sure you do. We need your help and your votes!

School Apparel: Tina: Please visit the apparel store, www.wanaquestore.com. We accept credit cards on that site but checks and cash only in person.

Pictures: Judy & Lisa: 8th grade retakes are 1/22 along with superlatives. Due to the unfortunate condition of the sash we are anticipating a lot of retakes so please come help if you can. 3/21 will be Spring and sibling picture day

Pocket Book Bingo: Sharon: February 9th, at the First Aid Squad. Lots of fun, lots of awesome purses, get a table together and come join the fun

Website is up to date

Thanksgiving baskets: open committee: Shelved until Fall

Town Picnic: Will resume in August

Tricky Tray: open committee: the date is set for April 6, mark your calendars. Solicitation needs to start asap, everyone has their information. There are a ton of Tricky Trays out there and we want to be sure we secure our donations. If this committee does not get a new chairing team we may have to consider this to be the last one. The same people cannot continue to run this event, it is too much work for the same group and we need others to take this on. There will be tons of support and you can pull as many people as you want in, but we need new volunteers or we will have to call it quits. Many programs will suffer without that money and many will be lost so please consider giving it a try, we promise we will not abandon you.

So far we have a bunch of Disney hopper passes, some trips, Yankee Tickets and some new people looking for big prizes, Doreen Tamburri has been a great help. Pre-paid packs are assembled and will go on sale early March, there will be a surprise for the first 100 pre-paid packs sold. Please consider helping out in some way, driving, wrapping, soliciting and runners are all needed.

Trunk or Treat: open committee: Will revisit in the Fall

Seuss Day: March 15, green eggs and ham breakfast – we will need volunteers, more info to come.

Teacher Appreciation Week : Leane: A new date needs to be chosen so once Leane and Mr. Frick have had a chance to coordinate we will talk more

Old Business: remember we are affiliated with Amazon Smile, Shoparoo and Stop n Shop and Shop Rite rewards programs, this is a simple way to get money and you are using these stores anyway

New business: There will be some open committees in the fall:
Our next PTA meeting will be Monday 3/11/19

Please check the schedule on the web for information you may need.

Adjourned until 3/11/19 7:00pm in the Technology Room

Motion to adjourn: Shana
2nd: Ann T.

With no further business to discuss, meeting is adjourned until 3/11/19

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Respectfully submitted 1/11/19