

Wanaque Elementary School
PTA Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2020

Meeting called to order @ 7:05pm

LT: Welcome everyone – thank you for coming, looks like a great crowd tonight.

Mr. Mooney: Happy New Year – a job fair for substitute teachers/assistants who want to work and help people who have been out of work is coming, watch for more information. The Education Foundation is up and running and working with the PTAs. Finally there will be a 1:15 dismissal on 1/14/2020 for teacher development.

Mr. Frick: There will be a reorganization meeting on 1/7 at 7pm. 1/17 will be the awards ceremony; K-4 at 9am, 5-8 @ 10am. 8th grade photo retakes will be 1/29 and the end of the marking period is 1/31/2020. If you see Heather Oguss please congratulate her on her Teacher of the Year award.

Angela DeMetriou – BOE: Absent, out sick. BOE meeting will be 1/7 along with the Reorganization meeting here at Wanaque school

Teachers:

Mrs. Spirko: Talent show for grades 6-8th on March 5th. March 12th is the square dance for K-5th. We will have ice cream sundaes. Cost is \$10 per family.

LT: We need volunteers for the talent show, 2-3 parents to help keep people in their seats and keep the kids calm. Please send Juanita an email if you are interested.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion:	Maria G
2 nd :	Tara R

After School Clubs: Right now we have some clubs getting ready to start and others will begin later in the year.

Robotics: 2nd session starts Wednesday 1/8

Art Club will be creating the scenery for the Drama performances

TREPS: 5th – 8th and will be the second half of the year

If you have an idea for an after school club, we love new ideas and new people who want to start clubs so please see one of the board with your thoughts.

Bingo: No update

Box Tops: Pajama day will be in Jan/Feb. Winner of Books for Box Tops was Mrs. Gaudreau's class with 361.

Cultural Arts: Brain challenge Assembly for K-5n coming in February.

Dances: Next dance will be February 7th for Valentine's Day – grades 6-8
The 4th and 5th grade holiday dance was a huge success 100+ kids

Big guy Little Gal dance: look for this event in May 2020

Mother and Son activity: 1/24 for pre-k thru 3. 6:30-8:30. Obstacle courses set up by the gym teaching staff – tons of fun, come with your sons. This committee will be open next year

Dine to Donate: Watch the website for more info on upcoming dine to donate opportunities

Drama: Everything is going great these first few weeks, more to come

Egg Hunt: Will be in the Spring, more to come

8th Grade Committee: Juanita V., Christine F and Carolyn B will be chairing, lots more to come there

Fundraising: More info coming

Holiday Bazaar: Thanks to Amanda for all her hard work, we profited \$1800+ and there were a ton of middle schoolers collecting hours for community service

Holiday Shop: Kids had a great time

Kids Stuff Books: Finished for this school year

Book Fair: \$1000 as well as Scholastic dollars were earned

Membership: Keep passing along the info, cannot vote or chair unless you are a member

Movie night: Toy Story 4, doors open at 6:30, movie starts at 7:00

Apparel: Tina L chairs this committee. There is a website to purchase, link is on the WSPTA site. Lots of new stuff this year. We have an app you can download as well

Paint and Sip: 1/17 , cost is \$45 to make a wood board with interchangeable seasonal accents

Pictures: 1/29 is 8th grade retakes and superlatives. This will also be the date for the staff photos. We will have a storefront on the Shutterfly site, more to come on that – watch backpacks and the website for the info.

Pocketbook Bingo: Sharon B, February 1. Cost is \$30 – flyers coming home soon

Seuss Day: First week in March, volunteers and readers needed

Thanksgiving Baskets: On hold till next year

Town Picnic: On hold till next year

Tricky Tray: Lisa/Tara/Amanda have taken on the huge task of chairing the Tricky Tray. 50/50 tickets going home 1/21. Please try to assist in some way. Soliciting, running, driving baskets to the school, selling tickets – anything. Currently scheduled for 4/25/20. Another great way to help is to donate new items. Maybe there is something you get/got for the holidays that you forgot to return and aren't going to use? Someone will want it so please donate it to the tricky tray.

Trunk or Treat: On hold till next year

Website: Still handled by Steve, anything you would like to post, send to Leanne and we will try and get it there for you.

Old business: Gertrude Hawke brought in about \$4000.

We also participated in a website campaign for the teachers – you can buy gift cards from them for practically any store you like and the teachers get \$\$ to use for their classroom supplies. We have enrolled for Spring so watch for this – it is a very easy way to help out your teachers.

New Business: Trunk or Treat committee is open for the 20/21 school year – it is a combined committee with Haskell, work is minimal as it is evenly distributed between both PTAs.

Don't forget Shoparoo – just snap a picture of any receipt on their app and we get points we can convert to cash. Also if you shop through Amazon Smile we get money for your purchases as well.

Next meeting will be March 9 at 7pmin the Wanaque Technology Room.

Motion to adjourn:	Shanna
2 nd :	Maria

With no objection this meeting is adjourned until 3/9/20 at 7pm

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Respectfully Submitted 1/17/2020