

Minutes

October 17, 2022

Wanaque Elementary School

Called to order: 7:00pm

Welcome: Leanne Tully, President. Thank you for coming out tonight. Please make sure to sign in and take a copy of the budget we are going to approve at this meeting.

Mr. Alloy: Picture Day was awesome. We had our first anti-bullying assembly for the younger grades. Jaren Campbell was great, so cool and the kids loved him and his program, thank you to the PTA for searching out such great activities for our kids. The mums look great and the sale was a great success too. I had 20 kindergarteners helping me plant the mums, next time I will ask for some help! We had fun and they did a great job but it was a little challenging! We will be having an assembly on anti-bullying for the older grades and I would like to thank the PTA in advance as I am sure it will be awesome as well. We will be inviting Haskell middle schoolers to join us as well so it will be a special experience. Excited for the Halloween Dance, thank you PTA again for a great start to the school year.

LT: At this time we would like to take a moment to approve last month's minutes, can I have a motion to approve:

Abby

2nd Joy

With no objection the minutes are approved.

At this time we would like to take a moment to approve the 2022-2023 budget for the PTA school year 2022-2023:

Maria

2nd Christine

With no objection the PTA operating budget is approved for the 2022-2023 school year

September Re-cap:

Pocketbook Bingo was a lot of fun and a great success - \$1200 profit

We also had a small scale tricky tray at that event and cleared a \$3000 profit

These profits will more than cover our anti-bullying campaigns so thank you for your support.

Wanaque Day - we made \$400 on vendor tables and another \$400 on apparel sales

Fall Pictures went really well. Retakes will be 11/16 and at that time we will also take the 8th grade graduation pix.

Committees:

After School Clubs:

Lego Club: Mr. Saraceni will run this again for all grades K-8. We do need more Legos donated so if you can that would be a great help. All teachers will be invited to help out and we are looking to start with grades K-1 in December.

We are also thinking about a Golf Club - more to come on that

Track Club: Mr. Trahan will head up the track club for the Spring.

TREPS: also slated for Spring, more to come on this and any new clubs we start up. All ideas are welcome.

Cultural Arts: As mentioned the K-5 anti-bullying assembly was a big success, Mallory's Army is scheduled for both the Haskell and Wanaque middle schools on 10/19/22.

Dances: Halloween Dance is scheduled for 10/28. There will be 3 prizes for best costumes. Mr. Evans will be the DJ. We are in need of chaperones - especially a dad would be great to monitor the boy's room.

In December we will hold the Ugly Sweater dance for the 4th and 5th grades
Someone Special and Me daunce will be around Valentine's Day

8th Grade Committee: we will meet on 10/25 in the Tech room at 6, there are some changes we will discuss at that meeting.

Fundraisers: Gertrude Hawke Sale ends 11/4, to date we have sold \$2300 worth of products

Scholastic Book Fair: Scheduled for 12/2 & 3. We needed to move the sale to the Library as the stage will be used for other things this time, this year you can also use a digital wallet to pay for any purchases.

Holiday Bazaar: 12/3 we have 28 vendors so far

Holiday Shop: 12/2 & 12/3 in school and at the bazaar for grades K-5
Community Service Hours are available for middle schoolers to help out.

Membership: we have 276 members so far - about 70% for families and 100% teacher participation. Your \$10 contribution goes a long way, please remember if you are not a member you cannot volunteer or vote for PTA functions.

School Apparel: Doing well, visit the online store linked on our website

Thanksgiving Baskets: We work with the town to find needy families each classroom will have a list of items to collect and Ms. Grecco will oversee putting them together, once again community service hours are available for student volunteers.

Thanksgiving Feast: This event is back and the seniors in town are thrilled. We have 40 seniors invited and will need a lot of helpers - working on a new food vendor as Shoprite no longer caters.

Trunk or Treat: 10/21 from 6:30-8:30 we can use more trunks and more volunteers. We also need candy donations. So far we have 10 trunks and Haskell has 4, The Fire Department along with the ambulance and Passaic County will support. We will have a DJ, hayride, corn maze and an inflatable hatchet throw for the kids. We also received 300 pumpkins donated for painting. As always we can use volunteers to keep things running smoothly, please reach out to Simone. Set up is at 5:30 at Back Beach.

New Business: Class parents have been selected. Remember if you are assigned a class you are a support for the teacher. Middle school parents do not attend the classroom parties. All class parents need to work with the other class parents in the grade level to ensure all children are getting the same party and no class is excluded or favored. List of class parents is available by request.

Again thank you for coming out, our last meeting of 2022 will be November 14 at 7pm here in the tech room.

Adjourned until 11/14/22

Motion to adjourn: Beth
2nd: Shana

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Submitted for review and approval 11/4/22