



Meeting Minutes for 11/9/22 • Wading River School Cafeteria @ 6:00pm

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Call Meeting to Order for PTA- Pledge of Allegiance

Principal's Report

- Thank you to all those who participated in the Veteran's Day star bulletin board to honor our Veterans.
- Thank you to all of the students that participated in the food drive. The class with the most donated items will receive extra recess.
- New Report cards will be coming out with letter grades. Letters are as follows:
 - E= Consistently meets grade level standards with independence and excellence.
 - G= Appropriate for grade level.
 - P= Progressing towards independence in grade level standards.
 - N= Not yet meeting grade level standards.
- As of now the 5th grade Philadelphia trip will not be overnight due to an issue with the bus transportation. This could possibly change, however as of now the students and parents will arrive and depart on the same day.
- Plans are in the works to hold next year's Philadelphia trip in early October to help facilitate parent relationships and bonding.
- The 5th grade trip to Philadelphia will take place on May 5, 2023.

III. Treasurer's Report

Prior month's ending balance is \$25,024.62. See the budget report for specific breakdowns.

IV. Approval of 10/24/22 Meeting Minutes

V. President's Report

Old Business:

- Wildcat Wagon continues to do well and runs every other Thursday.
- A big thank you to Fink's Country Farm for donating pumpkins for our students the Friday before Halloween.
- Candy Buy Back was a big success. We donated 481 pounds of candy and earned \$250. Thank you to Christine Mangelli for chairing and to the students for their generosity.
- Blood Drive: We paid for the food for the blood drive volunteers for yesterday's blood drive.
- Lost and Found: We purchased a new clothing rack and hangers for the school out of our Miscellaneous Expenses line item.

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New Business:

- Picture Retake Day is Tuesday 11/15/22.
- Family Game Night is Friday 11/18/22 from 6:00pm – 7:30 pm. Tickets are limited to 250 attendees. Volunteer sign up will be posted this week. Baskets are being collected for raffles.
- Square 1 Art: catalogs sent to the school will go home with students. Online ordering is open now, the deadline is 11/25.
- Yearbook: Thank you to the parent volunteers who have signed up for class pages. Thank you to Kristy Molinelli for setting up the yearbook ladder in Pictavo and setting up a training zoom on 11/3. Ongoing training and support are available from our JRC Yearbook rep Linda Katz: linda@jrcyearbooks.com, 347-552-0827.
- Holiday Boutique is 11/28-12/2 during school. New option to prepay online (change given at register if applicable). The school will give us Room 106 to use. Need class shopping schedule for volunteer sign up.
- Gingerbread Night: Friday 12/2/22 from 6:00pm – 8:00pm in the Cafeteria. Limiting it to 50 families like we did pre-COVID. Finding out if REN Design will have wooden gingerbread house kits available for us to sell as a take home item.
- Legacy Gifts: Deborah Aiello is looking into pricing for a Little Free Library for our outdoor learning space (co-sponsored with SEPTA), Jen Oliveri researched prices for Recess bags with balls and jump ropes. Prices were given to Deborah to purchase from Amazon and Oriental Trading. The school will provide luggage tags for the class bags.
- Possible new fundraisers: Movie Morning at PJ Cinemas, Flowers for holiday concerts, Duck Donuts and Carnation Sale for Valentine's Day. Need someone to chair these. Next year we can sell pies for Thanksgiving (joint fundraiser with MS PTO). We didn't have time this year but teacher Marissa Zambrano reached out to let us know about her father's bakery.

Our next meeting will be on 1/11/2023 at 6:30 pm at WRS Library.

VI. **Questions/Discussion:** Someone Special Dance changed from 5/4 to 5/12 due to 5th grade Philly trip on 5/5. Spring Plant Sale will also be 5/12. PARP Week is May 1-5.

VII. **Motion to adjourn**

Upcoming event dates:

Picture Retake Day 11/15

Wildcat Wagon 11/17

Family Game Night 11/18

Square 1 Art Orders Due 11/25

Holiday Boutique 11/28-12/2

Gingerbread Night 12/2

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