

Waite Elementary PTO Meeting

November 10, 2022

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes
- III. Old Business
 - a. Fall Fundraiser Recap, Teacher Grants, SAVERS Donation Drive
- IV. Officer Reports:
 - a. Treasurer's Report
 - i. 5th Grade Shirts
 - ii. Teacher Grants
 - b. Vice President's Report
 - i. Makerspace
 - ii. Structured Recess
 - c. Secretary's Report
 - i. Dine to Donate
 - d. Principal's Report
 - i. End of 1st Trimester
 - 1. Report Cards sent home 11/11
 - ii. PBIS Updates (school store, snack bar coupons)
 - iii. Buckeye Leadership Awards (Leadership Symposium)
 - iv. Principal's Student Advisory Council
 - v. Parent Feedback
 - vi. Recap of Events
 - 1. Great Waite Pumpkin Challenge
 - 2. Harvest for Hunger Food Drive (over 900 items donated)
 - 3. Halloween Parade and Classroom Parties
 - vii. October Teacher PD Day
 - viii. Special Guest Speaker: Vanessa Shriver
 - e. President's Report
 - i. Family Event Updates
 - ii. Teacher Grants
 - iii. Book Fair
 - iv. Veteran's Day
- V. New Business
 - a. Makerspace Wish List
- VI. Committee's Reports
 - a. Fall Festival – Jen Scott
 - b. Ornament Night – Erin Duff

VII. Announcements

- a. Veteran's Day Celebration: Friday, November 11th
- b. Early Release: Tuesday, November 22nd
- c. Ornament Night: December 6th
- d. Lerch's Donuts: December 6th
- e. Picture Day: October 25th
- f. Marcos Fundraiser Night: December 8th
- g. Next PTO Meeting: Thursday, December 8th

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Ralph E Waite Elementary School
PTO Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 10, 2022

Welcome and Introductions

- Call to Order by Lauren Rismiller at 7:03 pm
- Introductions
- **Attendance:** taken by sign in sheet
Erin Duff, Jennifer Healy, Alison Kamp, Matt Mattie, Lauren Rismiller, Jennifer Scott, Mrs. Shriver (Staff guest), Miranda Spicel, Melissa Tricomi, Centria Tucker, Julie Warfe, Corey, Winterton

Approval of the October Meeting Minutes

- Lauren Rismiller asked for a motion for the October 2022 meeting minutes to be approved. Erin Duff made a motion and a second motion was made by Maranda Spicel and Melissa Tricomi. All PTO members were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Old Business-Lauren Rismiller

- Student's had a great time at the Fall Fundraiser. The weather was amazing and we received positive feedback.
- All Teacher Grants have been completed except for Mrs. Shriver's baby chicks. The flexible seating for Mrs. Stobbs came in and was delivered to her room. Fifth grade books were also delivered.
- The Saver's Drive went well. We made \$1,007.00 and over 9,000 pounds of donations were received. April 12th-13th will be the next date.

Treasurer's Report- Melissa Tricomi

- Fifth Grade T-shirts: Fifth grade shirts were approved and ordered.
- \$2,000 was spent on teacher grants.

Vice President's Report-Centria Tucker

- Centria and Julie Warfe will be talking with Mr. Mattie about a schedule for Makerspace. Parents will be used as an assist to implement the teacher's plan.
- We received bins for indoor recess and will be putting those together soon.
- The school is looking at having more structured recess and would like to have "clubs" or "groups" that the students can participate in. A google form will be coming out soon to ask parents if they have a special skill set (sewing, sign language, etc).

Secretary's Update-Julie Warfe

- We earned \$902 from our Chipotle night.
- Marcos Pizza Night is tonight.
- Julie will reach out to Culver's and BW3's

Principal Report-Matt Mattie

- Mr. Mattie thanked everyone for all of the help they have provided this year.
- The Book Fair went well.
- Tomorrow students will wear red, white, and blue for Veteran's Day. The Veteran's Day program is also tomorrow. The ten fifth grade presidential candidates will be speaking.
- We are now in the second trimester of school and report cards will go home tomorrow (11/11)
- Snack Bar-Students that have been meeting classroom expectations have been given a raffle ticket for snack bar during lunch.
- PBIS-students have started cashing in their PBIS points
- Buckeye Leadership Award-We are in the process of a building a leadership symposium and luncheon for those students that have earned the monthly Buckeye Leadership Award.

- Principal Student Advisory Council-We would like to have a group of students that meet to discuss what is going well and what needs improvement within the school. We are also trying to decide what grade levels should be involved.
- Parent Feedback-We would like to have parents come in and provided feedback (almost like a roundtable discussion).
- We collected 902 cans for Harvest for Hunger! Raffle drawings have been going on. Thank you for support.
- Students had a great time during the Halloween parade and parties.
- During the October Staff Professional Development Day, staff focused on deeper learning and 21st century learning as the world is changing and so is the way students learn. We would like to enhance outdoor recess and incorporate more outdoor learning opportunities.
- There have been many injuries on the ziplines, so those will be removed from the playground in the future.

Special Guest-Vanessa Shriver

- Mrs. Shriver gave a tour of the Makerspace Area and explained how it is incorporated into a student's learning experience. All teachers have developed a lesson for the makerspace area. The focus is on working together with other students and how to manage failure (it's ok if you have to try again). There are speros, keva planks, legos, 3d printers, marble runs, and a cricut machine. We need microscope slides.

President's Report and New Business-Lauren Rismiller

- Book fair-This was our first book fair since 2019 and the first time PTO chaired the event. We currently have \$12,523 in sales. \$89.00 was donated by parents who had leftover e-wallet accounts. The online book fair goes until 11/20. We will know the final number raised once the book fair is closed out (we can earn up to 50% in scholastic dollars).
- Veteran's Day-We will have 185 guests attending. Families were able to send a picture of their soldier to Mrs. Shriver. She then made a beautiful slide show. This slideshow will be shown to all students. Bubbles and Bow will donate a balloon arch. Will still need coffee donations.
- Teachers have submitted Makerspace donation needs.
- Thank you for your indoor recess donations!

Committee Reports

- Fall Fundraiser-Jen Scott
-We raised \$13,606.50 and spent a little over \$800! There was an increase in corporate donations compared to previous years. All students received a mini flashlight to take trick or treating. Students will have a Spirit Day on 11/22/2022 to dress as your future self.
- Ornament Night-Erin Duff
-Ornament Night will be 12/6 and there will be two groups (6-6:45 and 7-7:45). Ornaments will be six dollars this year. A google form will be sent to get a better idea of how many families plan on coming. We will also be selling Lerch's Donuts for \$10/dozen. There will be 100 dozen donuts to sell.
- Bingo Night-Jennifer Healy
-Jennifer reports that she is gathering donations for prizes.

Jennifer Healy made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second motion by Melissa Tricomi. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Upcoming Events

- Veteran's Day Celebration: Friday, November 11th
- Early Release: Tuesday, November 22nd
- Ornament Night and Lerch's Donuts: Tuesday, December 6th
- Picture Retake Day: December 8th
- Next PTO Meeting: Thursday, December 8th