



Whispering Oak Elementary School's Parent Teacher Organization's (PTO) General Meeting was held in the school's Media Center on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Meeting Commenced: 6:02PM

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00PM

Officers	Committee Chairs
President- Kari Bell	Programs- Nicole Mattson
Business VP- Tracey Hassy	Yearbook- Kim Schaefer
Treasurer- Chelsea Novotny	Room Parents- Linette Murphy
Secretary- Rachelle Smith	School Spirit- Megan Wood
Hospitality VP- Monica Dillon	Events- Mallory Twohig/ Allison Breault
	Appreciation- Dreca- Charlemagne
	5th Grade Celebration (5GC)- Jen Rybicki/ Jennie Benzinski
	Communications- Laura Orge

MEETING DISCUSSIONS

Call to Order	Welcome by WOE PTO President. School Board Candidate (Jake Petroski)
Treasurer	● Budget was approved. Reviewed with those in attendance. ● Cash Flow/ Explanations- displayed on the projector screen. ○ Kindness Fall Fundraiser- (soft opening last year, will promote more this year) ○ \$3200 Budget for membership/ \$4000 is the goal. ○ Inflation ○ Donation ○ School Grants ○ BooHoo Yahoo Breakfast ○ Anti Bullying ○ Red Ribbon Week

	● Savings Account ○ Would like to invest some of the money. ● \$28,000 Of the \$31,000 is already approved for the AV equipment. ● Approximately \$42,000 is left. ● 4 1/2% on a CD w/ Trustco. There are penalty fees for early withdrawal, however we don't foresee withdrawing within that time frame. ○ Motion passed to move forward in opening a CD.
Communications CC	● E- News- ○ Newsletter will go out on Mondays ○ Website is up to date. ○ Sign up list for volunteers is posted on the site. ● Various methods of getting information out ○ social media platforms such as Facebook/Instagram ○ Request for members to interact with on our Facebook page. ● Suggestions are welcome.
Business VP	● Kindness Fundraiser will incorporate World Kindness Day. ● Business Partners ○ Levels will be finalized soon. ○ Partnering with the school (PIE) ○ Additional information will be available in the future. ● Volunteers are welcome
School Spirit CC	● Spirit Wear ○ The online Spirit Store is open for orders until Friday, August 25th. Committee is looking into a stuffed animal that can be purchased. ○ 135 shirts have been sold as of this date. ● Spirit Events ○ Family Movie Night ○ Orlando City Soccer ● Volunteers are welcome.

Yearbook CC	• Memory Book will be used again for the 2023/2024 yearbook. • Looking for volunteer photographers.
Secretary	• Membership Contest has begun. ◦ Contests will run until Friday, September 15, 2023. There is a possibility the contest will be extended. ◦ Each grade will have a winning class. ◦ <i>All Wildcat Spirit</i> membership levels will be placed in a drawing to win a gift card. ◦ New members' students of all levels of membership will be placed in a drawing to win a gift basket. • Pelican's SnoBalls will be the tasty reward for winning classes. ◦ The first week in October is the potential date for Pelican's to come to WOE for the reward.
Programs CC	• Birthday Book Club ◦ Program was described in detail about how it supports the Media Center. • Red Ribbon Week ◦ Planning is underway. • Volunteers are needed and welcome.
Hospitality VP	• Welcome Back Lunch for school staff was a success. ◦ Teachers will also be gifted with a t- shirt. • BooHoo/ Yahoo Breakfast was a success w/ a great turn out. • Trunk or Treat ◦ October 26th 5:30- 7:30pm. ◦ There will be a DJ, food trucks and games provided. ◦ Looking for volunteers interested in lending their trunks. • Volunteers are always welcome.
Appreciation CC	• School staff Welcome Back Lunch was a success! ◦ Chick fi- A was the designated menu. • Adopt a Lounge is underway. ◦ Aug/Sept.- PTO will provide snacks. ◦ Grade level volunteers will be encouraged to participate. • Volunteers are welcome.

Events CC	• Mother/ Son event will be different this year. ◦ “GLO” Party ◦ Venue will possibly be at Sunridge Middle School or Hamlin. ◦ Nov.4th is the tentative date. • Father/ Daughter Dance ◦ March 2, 2024 is the tentative date. • Volunteers are always welcome.
5th Grade Celebration (5GC)	• Upcoming fundraisers-Initial thoughts on plans. • Boo Grams ◦ bulk purchase for class. • Selling water at Trunk O Treat • Week after Thanksgiving- Holiday Shoppe • Parents Night Out-6pm-9pm • 5th Grade Celebration ◦ Outdoor activity ◦ Kids will vote on a theme. ◦ They will choose the songs they want to listen to.
Room Parents CC	• “Room Parent” meeting is being planned. ◦ Looking forward to finalizing the list with Ms. Gary. ◦ Any room parent issues can be sent to Linette.
President	• Bylaws revisions were made. • Upcoming school year • Volunteer emails ◦ Early follow up with individuals interested in assisting committees.

Questions/ Comments/ Suggestions:

Why are there two options for # of votes? Suggested there be one vote per membership no matter the membership level.

Principal/ Vice Principal's Update:

AC update: System was overrun. Spring/ Summer -new system scheduled to be placed.

The construction on School will not begin in October as originally planned.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:01PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Sept 19, 2023 at 6:00 pm, Media Center