

Wake Forest High School PTSA Meeting
Nov 13, 2023
6:00 PM in the Media Center and via Zoom

Minutes

I. Discussion Items

- A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions -Melanie Gambone
- B. 6:04 call to order
 - 1. Help needed on November 16 at 5:00 for 9-11 Grade Night table
 - 2. For December- propose not have a formal meeting but do an agenda update
 - 3. School Transportation Safety Day/Week

- C. Principal's Report - Mrs. Thomas
 - 1.Our AP students did awesome last year- In the parent message from Sunday-Silver Award
 - 2.New ESL teacher and Math teacher started and so has the new Lead Secretary
 - 3. Report cards went out last week
 - 4. Winter sports are starting

- D. Staff Update - Mr. Tacito George/Amy Burger
 - 1.

- E. Approval of [Oct 9 Minutes DRAFT](#) - (click on link for draft minutes)

Motion to Approve made by: Gina
Seconded by: Melissa
In favor: all
Nays: none
Abstain: none
Motion Passes/Fails: Motion carries

- F. Budget/Financial Report - Larissa Moore
 - 1. Request from Class of '72 to donate \$300 from reunion for teacher supplies,sent information to them.

[October 2023 PTSA Budget](#)

II. Committee Reports

A. Fundraising

1. Spirit Nights - Kim Bailey
 - PDQ- We did not raise a lot here this time. \$53.87
 - Culver's-We did great! \$330
 - Jeremiah's is this Tuesday, Nov. 14th. It's all day noon to 9 PM, and we earn 10% of sales!
 - We have a winner for the Spirit Event Contest! The chosen flavor is called Cougar Pride. It's Strawberry and Blueberry Italian ice with Vanilla Ice Cream.
 - Jeremiah's said they can definitely have flavors ready for those who order Cougar Pride.
 - I can get the prize to the winner. Is it possible to announce the winner over social media?
2. Retail Rebates - Lisa Poplawski/Amy Reigle/Melanie Gambone
 - a) Harris Teeter- Earned \$514.17 so far 254 cards linked-there should be a check coming for the first earning period
 - b) Lowes no update
3. Cougar Challenge - Stacey Robinson
 - a) New total- \$2,934.39 - \$485 in October

B. Communication (consider having ONE email for all communication)

1. Website - Karen Mallo tkmallo95@gmail.com
2. No update
3. Newsletter - Amy Reigle amynreigle@gmail.com
 - a) Due by the 25th for newsletter
4. Social Media - Melissa Gilmore melissagilmore13@yahoo.com
 - a) Keeping up with PTSA information as well as relevant school news from Ms. Thomas, the WFHS Counselors, and other school groups.
 - b) Should I go ahead and post about volunteer signup through WCPSS? My approval took less than 2 weeks.
 - c) Info published for PTSA scholarship. I will keep reposting a couple of times a month, and I just reposted it today..
 - d) A Prom save the date was published a while ago, but we have not received the ticket link or pricing information yet.

Please pass it on as soon as the info is available as we got it way too late last year.

- e) Jeremiah's Ice name/flavor contest winner is Adam Kotynski "Cougar Pride" / Strawberry and Blueberry Ice with Vanilla Ice cream. I will post this information today telling folks to ask for the featured flavor!

C. Nominating Committee - Karin Kuropas

- 1. Will continue to search for leadership for next year

D. Membership-Stacey Robinson

- 1. We have 213 in total membership (increase of 83)
 - a) Family 155 (Increase of 63)
 - b) Students 14 (increase of 8)
 - c) Staff 44 (increase of 12)

E. Senior Class Activities - Jodi Stalfire (stepping down from leadership)

- 1. Senior treat bags were distributed with report cards on Thursday
- 2. Working on a senior parent meeting in December to start planning breakfast for February

F. Hospitality - Melanie Gambone

- 1. November 16th we will be dropping off mailbox treats for the teachers and staff.
- 2. Also waiting on final numbers for bus drivers and transportation drivers so that we can deliver bus driver treats on December 7th.

G. Advocacy - Gina Haines

- 1. Working on transportation safety for students and parents, especially for walkers.

H. Scholarships - Tracie Matthews

- 1. Fliers went in senior treat bags
- 2. Still need replacement for this committee
- 3. Deadline January 31, 2024

I. Staff and Club Grants- Kim Keith

- 1. Kim and Karin will be meeting Tuesday to review grants
- 2. There have been a few grants in progress this year, Mrs.Brautman ordered an online program to use in class, Ms.Owens ordered scrubs for her Early Development program, Ms.Raye ordered Chess Timers for her club.
- 3. Media Center grant was ordered and half of the books are on the way !

J. Student Health and Wellness- Claire Reigle

1. Bully prevention month- posters and pumpkins to put up
2. Posters done for anxiety and stress for this month
3. Next month is Toxic Relationships

K. Student Achievement- Gina Haines

1. No word on PBIS meetings or any upcoming activities. Will reach out to Ms. Rendina asap.

L. Other School Organizations:

1. Business Alliance - Larissa Moore
 - a) College Fair is this Thursday, November 16 during 3rd period. Have 46 schools and military branches coming
 - b) Meet and Greet at 5:30 November 16 before 9-11 Parent Night in media center
 - c) Next Meeting December 5 at 7:30 am on Zoom- all are welcome
 - d) Help needed December 14 all day for Speed Networking Event
2. Athletic Boosters -
 - a) Winter sports are underway.
 - b) There was a signing last week after school
3. JROTC -
 - a) Annual fish fry was a success! We raised over \$6700 in profit after expenses.
 - b) Building JROTC Raiders Obstacle Course - 5 Obstacles to build, materials have been acquired, but in need of handy people. Date: November 18th 8am - 4pm. Lunch will be provided. All handy people are welcome to help!
 - c) Next JROTC Spirit Night: November 14, 2023
Char-Grill in Wake Forest. 3pm - Close
 - d) JROTC is feeding 5 families in need for Thanksgiving!
Donations are needed!
[Booster Parents 23-24: Thanksgiving donations \(signupgenius.com\)](#)
 - e) Upcoming Events:
 - (1) Men's Soccer Tournament - November 17th
 - (2) Dec 3rd - Rolesville Christmas Parade
 - (3) Dec 7th - General Booster Meeting
Media Center at 6:00pm ET
 - (4) Dec 16th - Wreaths Across America
 - f) Please text Diana at 770-841-7759 for additional information.
4. FFA-no update

5. Band Boosters -

Attractions Coupon Books \$25

- Flyers and social media coming soon
- See Mr Martel for purchase
- Purchasing available all of November
- Coupons good through the end of next year

Winter Guard Tryouts Monday and Wednesday this week

- No experience necessary
- Come Wednesday even if you miss Monday
- 3:30 - 6

Winter Percussion - more information coming soon

6. Art/Drama -

- a) Troupe has progressed to the State NCTC competition and will perform this weekend!
- b) Mamma Mia tickets are on sale and can be purchased here: <https://wfhs.ticketleap.com/>
Dec 1, 2, 3 (3pm) and 7, 8, 9. Times will be at 7 pm except for the matinee at 3 on Dec. 3rd.

6. SIT - discussion on how to bring get our ESOL students and SOC to attend school on a more regular basis.

7. BAC meetings - discussion on what changes need to be made through area schools (bus transportation, payroll etc)

III. Announcements/Closing Remarks

A. Announcements:

1. Agenda update only in December, no Dec meeting

B. Q&A

- 1.

C. Meeting Adjourned 7:20

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