

PTA Minutes – Opening Meeting, August 23, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:10 – Robin welcomes the exec. Board members and we mingle for “Waverly Welcome”

President’s Report

- ❖ Wave reading of minutes
- ❖ Robin thanks various committees who are already busy at work:
 - Hospitality – staff loved the lunch provided by PTA
 - Paw Print
 - Gift wrap
 - Volunteer
 - Membership
 - Fall Fest
 - Family Enrichment
- ❖ New folders are displayed, and contents are reviewed:
 - Right-hand side – exec. board info. and calendar – Robin reminded us that calendar is not “etched in stone.” On the flip side of calendar is the snack schedule/telephone tree.
 - Left-hand side- PTA objectives, Exec. board member info., PTA letterhead, disbursement forms, and committee report forms. Robin reminded committee member to make sure to use the disbursement form and report forms provided. Also, if we run out of blue paper, please let Robin know!
- ❖ Membership reminder – we on the executive board need to be members of the PTA – please pay your dues ASAP!
- ❖ PTA box will be in the PTA room – check periodically – folders/information/forms are inside.
- ❖ There is a new bin for committee paperwork – it replaces the boxes that used to be in the PTA room.
- ❖ 1st day folders will be “stuffed” from 9-12 on Wed. 8/24.
- ❖ Karen Leins (former member of Holiday Shoppe Committee) has moved to Turf Valley, so we’ll need a replacement.

Principal’s Report

- ❖ Teachers are usually given money by the PTA for buying classroom materials – the PTA state treasurer is recommending gift certificates instead of money to help assure that money is spent on needed supplies. Dawn O’Haro said that money is probably still okay for this year (after receipts are submitted), but we will try to make the shift for next year. Mrs. Ferguson mentioned several stores that were possibilities.
- ❖ Mrs. Ferguson reviewed new staff members’ names and grade levels.
- ❖ Backpack mail – reminder for parents not to put anything in students’ backpacks that has not been approved by her.
- ❖ Please use eschoolnewsletter for communication.

- ❖ Interim progress reports will now be coming out four times per year between report cards.
- ❖ Night conferences will resume this year.
- ❖ Weather station was stolen; it's worth \$5-7,000 so is considered grand larceny. Waverly is able to offer a \$300 reward for its return.
- ❖ Mrs. Ferguson has once again asked for surveillance cameras due to the vandalism/theft at Waverly.
- ❖ Mrs. Ferguson ordered the new reading books – parents were a big help in being able to fund these.

Vice Principal's Report

- ❖ A welcome to Connie who is coming from Forest Ridge Elementary School. She's looking forward to working at Waverly . . .

Vice Presidents' Report

- ❖ Paula and Lorraine will continue with Parent's Academy this year – nothing is scheduled yet, so a suggestion sheet was passed around.
- ❖ Buddy system – Paula and Lorraine will contact new committee members who have questions. Contact them with any concerns.
- ❖ There are still a few committee openings:
 - Publicity
 - Parent Resource
 - Legislative
 - Graphic artist

*if anyone is interested or knows someone who might be, please contact Paula or Lorraine.

Treasurer's Report

- ❖ Dawn talked about sales tax and when we should/should not pay it. When purchasing something for the PTA, check with Dawn or Robin about sales tax.
- ❖ Keep careful track of receipts for reimbursement.
- ❖ Budget was reviewed – it will be presented and voted on at the general PTA mtg, in September.
- ❖ If you need reimbursement, put disbursements in Dawn's file in PTA room. She is at school often and can pick them up there and then issue checks.

Committee Reports

- ❖ Innisbrook – Joanne Faber and team are gearing up for our first fundraiser. Prizes will be awarded to students in categories A-I; anything higher than that will be donated to charity. Display case is being decorated and random drawings will be done as sales incentives.
- ❖ Volunteer Committee:
 - Laura Munns reminded all that forms will be coming home soon and to return them ASAP.
 - Aeyoung Lee has volunteered as a liaison to the Korean community to translate for those who need help with English.

- Teachers will be sending home their own forms for help in the classroom.
- Volunteer orientation – Sept. 6th from 10 –11 in the media center. If any PTA members would like to help let Laura know.
- ❖ Safe-to-School – Suzanne Pfeiffer said they still need volunteers; down by 50% compared to last year. If we know anyone who's interested have him or her contact Suzanne or another committee member.
- ❖ Fall Fest – Michele Weller said that individual committees are gearing up – she's looking forward to successful event.
- ❖ Family Enrichment – Amy Muul said that they're getting ready for the BTS picnic.
- ❖ Reflections – theme this year will be, "I Wonder Why . . . ?"

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 – great job, Robin!