
WESTBROOK PTA SEPTEMBER MINUTES

September 15, 2016

- Call Meeting to meeting to order 7:05 PM
- Thank you Mrs. Canali, Mrs. Casperson & Mrs. Baldini for attending. Thank you hospitality for setting up.

Reading of Minutes

- Minutes by Cheryl McConnell, Waived by Pamela Roccisano and seconded by Jenn O'Neill

Treasures Report

PTA Regular Account \$18,514.46

PTA Raffle Account \$4,054.89

Money Paid Out:

5K

Kindergarten Experience

Programs

Learn 360

Apparel

Money In:

Club Reimbursement

Correspondence

- Received thank you's from staff for their personalized water bottles from the PTA/Staff Appreciation

President's Report

- Thank you for all the committees and Westbrook families who helped with the bulletin boards and the school grounds to get everything ready for the first day of school.

WMPA

- WMPA meeting is tomorrow night and will have a report at the next meeting.

Principal's Report

- Mrs. Somers couldn't be here tonight, but do have her principals report to read:
 - (RECEIVED VIA EMAIL FROM MRS. SOMERS)
Hi, Kris,
For tonight:
Re: Point of Sale System: Students are practicing at school and have the information to do so at home. It's been going fairly well at Westbrook! Mrs. Standish has a plan for pizza Friday that

should help alleviate any congestion. Dr. Anemone also visited the cafeteria on Tuesday. All other information was shared on his blog.

There will be an Encore meeting for invited parents prior to back to School Night on the 22nd. We're looking forward to seeing everyone at Back to School Night which begins at 7 PM in the All Purpose Room. (Please confirm if you are doing a video & complete the building permit for that.) School goals will also be shared at Back to School Night.

Mrs. Davie's leave began a week or so early. Mrs. DeMarco started as her replacement today, Sept. 14th.

Students in grades 2 and 4 have completed in View testing this week. This cognitive assessment is one of the criteria for the Learning Unlimited (LU) program. PARCC and NJASK Science scores will be coming home within the next week.

If there are any questions you would like me to address in advance or that arise, please just let me know.

Deanne

Committee Reports

- **FIP Family Information Packet Due back Friday September 16th**
- **Supply Kits – Jodie Comune** – resigned in august and received a 10% discount on supplies.
- **Fingerprinting – Melissa Hardison**
 - Scheduled for Friday, September 23rd
- **Staff Appreciation – Cheryl McConnell**
- **Flower Sale – Michelle Golding**
 - September 12-26, 2016, Purchase a beautiful Eden Farms Mum and help support the Westbrook School PTA!
- **Spook-tacular – Michelle Sutton**
 - Spook-tacular is on schedule and it's going to be Awesome! We've been working or preparing the best Halloween Westbrook has ever seen!
 - The event is scheduled for 10/21. To accommodate attendance as requested last year, there will be two sessions. 6:45-8 and 8:15-9:30. Parents can choose which session they would like to attend with their child. If a session is full, they will be moved to the next available session (as per fire code restrictions).
 - Flyers are expected to go out by end of week 9/23. Either myself or Alison Carbone will be handling any pickups necessary to track attendance.
- **Kidstuff - Vickie Evans**
 - The sale will run from September 22, 2016- October 7, 2016. Sample books will be going home on September 22, 2016 for grades K, 2, 4 & 6. A notice will be going home to grades 1, 3 & 5. The cost per book is \$25 and Westbrook Elementary earns 50% of that cost. KidStuff offers 26 editions in 12 states, which are all available for order. Each family can also earn one free book for every five sold! Please send back the books that you don't want to purchase. If you purchase 5 books you will receive one for free.
- **Class Parent Lottery**
 - September 23rd and tea on the 28th
- **TREP\$ - Kris, Kirsten, Cheryl, Mrs. Donegan and Mrs. Baumgartner**

- Kickoff is scheduled for September 21st – Run by Miss Donegan - TREP\$ is a six-week educational program for 5th and 6th graders which teaches children about entrepreneurship. TREP\$ is short for enTREPpreneurs. Look for forms coming home with your child mid-September. First meeting will be held October 5th.

- **POCKET BOOK BINGO – Jenn O’neill and team**

- Get ready for an evening of bingo with designer handbags as the prize! On Friday, October 7, 2016 the Westbrook PTA will be holding its 2nd Annual Pocketbook Bingo Fundraiser! Look for further details coming soon! Can do tables of ten if you would like to purchase a whole table.

- **GENEVIVE FROZEN FOOD SALE – Denise Otto**

- This year’s Genevieve’s Frozen Food Fundraiser begins on October 3rd. Look for more information in your student’s backpack as the date gets closer. Here are dates you will need to know:

Sale Starts: 10/3 | Orders Due: Friday 10/16 | Pickup: Thursday, 11/16.

- **BOOK FAIR – Michelle Ray and Melanie Cutler**

- The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Westbrook twice this year! Additional shopping dates were set for students to shop during school hours from **October 17th - 19th** during school hours and Family Night is set for October 17th 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Students will have a tremendous selection of books to choose from. Look for more information as the date gets closer.

- **School Pictures are October 5th. Information will be going home soon in your child’s folder.**

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- **Veterans Day.** Would like to try and do something in celebration of Veterans Day and have a child invite a Veteran and maybe do something with the high school band and do a persecution outside by the circle (weather permitting) and serve refreshments.
- **Outdoor Classroom** that was gifted by the PTA will be installed soon.
- **Would like to start a committee for a new playground, set a plan and every year purchase a new piece of equipment. Try getting the district involved and possibly fencing the playground in.**

Upcoming Events

- **Summer Reading Due** – 5\$ for all who completed for the spring book fair.

Community Announcements

- **WMEF COLOR RUN – Sunday September 18th.** This is 1 of 2 of their big fundraisers that helps give grants to teachers that apply for assemblies, supplies etc.
- **Travel Basketball for boys and girls tryouts, October 7th grades 3-8**

- **Cub scouts are having an open house 9/23 at St. Joes and are now accepting kindergartners.**
- **Basketball Skills and Drills can sign up now online using community pass.**

Adjournment

- Next meeting is Wednesday, October 21, 2016 @ 7:00pm.
- Meeting adjourned 8:05pm