

Tackan Elementary School PTA

Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2018

Attendees

- PTA General Membership
- Principal: Dr. Leeds
- Teacher Representatives
 - Mrs. Franz
 - Mr. Conner

Executive Board: President: Jami Martin
1st Vice President: Jaclyn Young
2nd Vice President: Tammy DeGeorge
Treasurer: Christine Lipp
Recording Secretary: Annmarie Vinas
Corresponding Secretary: Beth Shapiro
Council Delegate: Heather Cortina

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions of the PTA Board, Dr. Leeds & Teachers

Treasurer's Report presented by *Christine Lipp*: Cash on hand is \$29,468.30. Books have been reconciled and audited.

Correspondence presented by *Beth Shapiro* - Thank you notes from staff, faculty and students were read.

Council Report presented by *Heather Cortina*

Parent University will take place on Oct 17 at SHE @ 7 pm covering school safety; drug & vaping awareness and preventative measures – social learning. On Oct 23rd the BOE will be meeting at GHMS, Nov 27th at Tackan and the Dec meeting will be back at NYA. This year family connect night will be across all schools. PLTW is now in the HS – intro to engineering and design. There are a few committees that still need help: The Council PTA Advocate and the District Wellness Committee chair. Save the date for College Scholarships fundraiser - craft fair on Dec 1st and 2nd at HSE from 10-5.

SEPTA Update presented by *Kelli Leigh*: First meeting is Oct 1st at 7pm in the NY Ave building. Topic will be dyslexia.

<u>COMMITTEE UPDATES</u>

5th grade T shirts presented by *Jami Martin/Eileen McCullough*: a flyer is going home soon to request student's shirt size.

Apparel presented by *Theresa Melville/Kathleen Jakubowski*:

On-line store opening soon, flyer will go home. Delivery should be early to mid Nov. and will be selling at back to school nights.

Book Fair presented by *Michelle Abola*: will be in the library the week of Oct 15th. A sign up genius will go out for volunteers

Class Pictures presented by *Renee Tilara/Lori Fortieri*: Sept 26th & 27th. Order forms due Sept 25th need volunteers from 9 -2.

Holiday Pics presented by *Jami Martin*: A new event Oct 23rd - 25th - 20 min photo session, a sign up genius will go out soon.

Health and Wellness presented by *Bonnie Stesen*

Aiming to start healthy tasting next month, will be approved by Nurse. Flyers will go home with ingredients & permission form.

Kid Stuff Books presented by *Danielle Boeri*: \$25 - will be on desks at Parent Teacher Nights. This year there is a nationwide app

Kindergarten Event presented by *Danielle Treder/Michelle Abola*: Hoping to host a 45 minute evening event in Oct.

Plant Sale presented by *Jen Luna/Christine Lipp*: mum sale orders submitted – pick up is Sept 27th from 4-6

Reflections presented by *Ivelysse Powers/Mary Jo Russo*: the theme is heroes around us, student interest forms due Oct 12th

Store Loyalty presented by *Yasmine Giarraputo/Michelle Keane*: Thru Stop and Shop A, no need to re-register if already doing.

Summer Reading presented by *Danielle Treder/Dawn Gary*: ice pop party Sept 28th for students who did the summer reading.

Trunk N Treat presented by *Danielle Boeri/Annmarie Vinas*

A safe Halloween on Oct 19th 6-9 (rain date Oct 26th), \$8 early admission, \$10 at the door. All kids must be accompanied by an adult. Admission includes treats, DJ and food from the Ale house. Trunks still needed – flyers and sign up genius going out soon.

Box tops presented by *Nancy Poulis*: send in groups of 50 in a Ziploc with student's name and teacher. Please cut! Send in 50 and go to ice pop party, send in 500 and go to bagel party. Need a new registration form each year & send in with your first 50.

Membership presented by *Erin VanDeusen/Danielle Hoering*: sign up in person or on-line (\$10) will be here for back to school night. You must be a member to be on the PTA board, be a class parent or a committee chair etc.

Cultural Arts presented by *Kim Gallub*: Majority of fund raising goes here to bring in programs to enrich child's foundation—do for each grade and as a whole. Teachers decide on the programs.

Walking club presented by *Jami Martin*: starts Oct 5th on Fridays before school for 5 weeks. Will be in the all and again in the spring—do not drop off before 8:30! Need a note to get kids out of before care. Julianna McGraine and Sasha XXXX will help.

Wingo presented by *Jenn Albers/Michelle Hanzcor*: Oct 12th, flyers going home soon, RSVP by Oct 5th first come first serve.

Teacher's Report

K: Children learning names and school routines. Thank you for all the supplies!

1st: Reading workshop launch; Talking about families in SS; practicing math facts & number bonds and letter formations

2nd: Math: number bonds/using 10 to add; Science games and grids; ELA Launch Library Mouse & Tomas and the library lady

3rd: field trip to Brookhaven National Lab Science Learning center next week; reading launch and exploring multiplication

4th: Math Module#1- place value, rounding skills, addition & subtraction algorithms; reading & writing launch, establishing a reading workshop & AIR time in classrooms; starting the novel "The Secret Garden"; NY Geography & Mapping skills; PLTW doing input/output computer systems; community safety

5th: classroom routines & expectations and band/orchestra responsibilities; geography in Western Hemisphere; PLTW: Infection detection; Math: place value; ELA Launch: Tuck Everlasting; writing summer selfies; Sadlier grammar & vocabulary.

Art: All students working on creating a mural around the theme "BE THE NICE KID"—it will be hung in the main lobby.

Music: Composer of the month is the Renaissance composer Thomas Morley; working on rhythm & beat; 5th grade chorus has started—working on posture, breathing and listening; band & orchestra lessons started

P.E.: 5th grade morning intramurals with Mr LaPraire will be on Thursday mornings at 8:10 except this week it will be on Fri Sept 28th due to picture day on Thurs Sept 27th. Fitness test for grades 3-5 coming in Oct.

Library: Reviewing library rules and procedures; 1st & 2nd grade participated in International Dot Day

Principal's Report

Everyone is getting acclimated: had the first town hall meetings with the kids; Tackan currently has 611 students with 28 sections with 11 large busses & 8/9 minibuses which makes it extremely difficult for last minute dismissal changes—please send them in writing in the morning; Talked with the students about safety, why we do fire drills and lockdowns; getting ready for fun run "boosterthon" for technology - goal is to get to "1 to 1" ratio for all kids to have a chrome book or ipad etc. Please update your e-mails address if you have not gotten a lot of e-mails from Dr. Leeds to ensure you are getting the blasts from the school; Currently working on better communication from the dept. of transportation for any bus issues; Please come to Tackan for the BOE meeting on Nov 27th; working on getting class parents, 1 K class still in need; Clubs & activities per grade are starting.

President's Report

Any flyers needed for events must get to Jaclyn 2 weeks prior to distribution; Please become a PTA member - there is a lot going on, do not feel obligated to do everything, anything you do is appreciated! Do not post pictures on social media from PTA events. Need 4th grade volunteers for the 5th grade moving up & committee chairs for 5th grade year book; If you chair a committee for 4 years you get VIP status which give you a parking spot & front row seat at graduation. To chair you must be a PTA member. Also looking for board members for next year (4 positions will be available) so please consider running for a position. Board members who finish a 2 yr term also get VIP status. The treasurer's job requires training; Michelle Abola has volunteered & will shadow Christine unless someone else has an interest. No one volunteered. Raffle off tickets for a family of four to Trunk N Treat and also to Wingo

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

IV. Upcoming Events and Reminders

- | | |
|--|---|
| a) Sept. 25 th BOE Meeting 8:00pm | h) October 15 th -19 th Book Fair |
| b) Sept. 26 th Class Pictures K-3-4 | i) October 16 th PTA Meeting at 7:30pm |
| c) Sept. 27 th Class Pictures 1-2-5 | j) October 19 th Trunk n' Treat 6-9pm |
| d) Sept. 27 th Plant Sale Pick Up 4:30 & Meet the teacher 3-5 | k) October 23 rd BOE Meeting 8:00pm GHMS |
| e) Oct 1 st SEPTA meeting at NYA 7pm | l) October 23 rd -31 st Red Ribbon Week |
| f) October 9 th Meet the Teacher K-1-2 | m) October 31 st Halloween Parade |
| g) Wingo Oct 12 th 7-9 | |