



## Woodland School District 50 PTA September PTA General Meeting Minutes

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September 30th, 2021

9:30 am

### Welcome

- Welcome from PTA President Kristin Michna
- Ice breaker - "If you could have a superpower, what would it be?"

### Treasurer's Report

- Review of PTA Financials through June 30, 2021
- Presentation and approval of the 2021-2022 PTA Budget

### PTA Updates

- 2021-2022 kick off events:
  - Staff welcome back breakfast - A big thank you to Linda Perucca for organizing such a great event! We were able to use PTA funds to treat our teachers to a welcome back breakfast from Einstein's bagels!
  - Kona Ice event - 701 snow cones were served! The timing was perfect to help beat the heat! Thank you to all of our Woodland families and staff that brought PADS donations!
  - Curriculum nights - the PTA was able to attend all of these events, with the exception of Primary. We look forward to seeing everyone's new Woodland shirts around the schools. Don't forget to post your pictures with #LifeintheW.
  - Book Fairs - excited to have book fairs again! Intermediate was in person and had sales of \$17,000! All other schools will have online book fairs. The \$ earned for online book fairs continue to support Woodland and our school libraries!
- PTA memberships - we currently have 339 memberships! We are so excited to have so many families back and also welcome so many new members! What a great start to the year! If you signed up for a membership online, please contact us at [dist50pta@gmail.com](mailto:dist50pta@gmail.com) to find out how to get your calendar filled with student artwork and all of the important school dates!
- Spirit Wear - online sale coming this fall! Stay tuned for more information.
- Supply Packs/Supply Lists - Thank you to everyone that purchased a supply pack! Proceeds help support the PTA and Woodland schools! 398 families ordered, for a total of 642 supply packs! We are working on our 2022-2023 supply pack plans! More information will be available in the spring as the sale starts.
- Fundraising: Thank you to everyone that supports our Woodland schools by doing these events! You don't need to do all of them, whichever ones work the best for you and your family! Our recent fundraiser at Jimanos raised \$514!
  - Fundraising Events: Signature Chocolate (Oct 4-15), Little Caesars (Oct 25)

- Restaurant fundraisers: Five Guys (Sept 29), Chuck E. Cheese (Oct 1), McAlisters (Nov 8)
- Community support event: Ceramics For You (Oct 8-11)
- Open positions
  - We are evaluating our events plans for this year! We will post open positions as they are available. If anyone is interested in volunteering or learning more, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at [dist50pta@gmail.com](mailto:dist50pta@gmail.com).
  - Just a reminder, there are no volunteer requirements with the PTA! Supporting the PTA can be sending us ideas, volunteering at events, buying a t-shirt, participating in fundraisers, memberships, etc. We appreciate any and all help from our Woodland families!

## Administrative Reports

- Primary
  - The school year has been off to a great start! The students are doing well with all of the safety protocols. SIP days have been focused on equity and exclusivity. There is an upcoming volleyball game with the staff.
- Elementary East/West
  - Focusing on SEL and SEL for all, to help address individual needs for students this year. Student led announcements are coming soon! EE and EW are combining. Specials teachers are being trained for small groups reading.
- Intermediate
  - Have started a ROARazon store at Intermediate! Doing more to celebrate kids following the rules. There are now 2 little libraries at the school. One is English and the other is Spanish.
- Middle School
  - The school year is off to a good start. The students are adjusting to school. Having SEL check ins and doing a lesson on boundaries. School sports and tryouts are back. Bringing back the theme of "stronger together."
- District
  - Brooke noted that many parents are taking to social media to discuss issues and concerns. Encouraging people to go to the teachers, schools, or District first to help get these addressed.
  - Dr. Machak provided an update on Shield testing. Starting Operation Warm earlier this year with the Gurnee Rotary Club, to get items to kids before the weather gets cold. This year they will also be collecting shoes for younger kids.
- Adam Krieger, Warren Township Youth & Family Services
  - Thank you to Adam for coming to our meeting! There has been a great turnout at the center this year. There are lots of upcoming workshops for adults and children. Please check out their website at <https://warrentownship.net/193/Youth-Family-Services> for more information and how to attend.

## Open Discussion

- Thank you to Antoinette Corelis for providing some information on the Warren Township referendum. We know many of our Woodland families and community members have a

lot of questions. For more information on this topic, please visit the District 121 website at <https://www.d121.org/domain/141>.

Next Meeting - October 14th at 7:00 pm via Zoom

[Contact dist50pta@gmail.com](mailto:dist50pta@gmail.com) for more information or questions.