

PTA MINUTES  
GENERAL MEETING  
9.27.11

WELCOME

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – MAUREEN DEELY

- Presentation on MAP testing
  - [http://www.waynethomaspta.com/Libraries/Downloads/PTA\\_MAP\\_presentation.sflb.ashx](http://www.waynethomaspta.com/Libraries/Downloads/PTA_MAP_presentation.sflb.ashx)
- Thank you to Amanda Castle and Lilah Shapiro for all the programming
- Thank you to PTA for back to school lunch, wish list
- Mailer in October with map scores and last year's ISAT scores
- 2 new programs:
  - Math Fact Fixers
  - Handwriting without Tears (K-2) – Tier 1 program
  - Information about strategies for parents and students for improving reading, writing and math skills
    - [http://www.waynethomaspta.com/Libraries/Downloads/Strategies\\_for\\_Reading\\_Writing\\_Math.sflb.ashx](http://www.waynethomaspta.com/Libraries/Downloads/Strategies_for_Reading_Writing_Math.sflb.ashx)
- 28 ipads in building
- Successful curriculum night
  - Will not have conflict with high school next year
- Halloween will be same as last year
  - Parade at 1:10pm – not if raining
- Continue communication on blog

TREASURER'S REPORT

- PTA membership dues already paid

TEACHER LIAISON REPORT

- Have dues from staff – will give to treasurer
- Lots of positive feedback from staff about food days running smoothly
- Some teachers have not been contacted by head room parents

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Thanks to committee chairs – Fun(d) Run, After school programming, Wearables, Circle of Friends
- Testing dates – will be on calendar and on blog
  - ISAT's – Start February 27, 2012
- Halloween – Mrs. Deely will send out information regarding lunch/parade

PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT

- Powerschool went away
  - Mrs. Deely's communications better than most

- Online parent handbook saved \$12K

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- After school programming – All programs very successful
  - Girls on the Run – Mandy & Lilah – Possibly Tuesdays and Fridays
  - Repeat Acrofabulous and Theater – will both do shows
  - Looking into new classes
    - Beading, different art class, tennis, classes for Kindergarten
- Gift Wrap went home on Monday, September 26 – due October 10, 2011
- Wearables-due October 3, 2011
- Fun(d) Run – Very successful

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Committee chair descriptions for IT, New Books, Food Days? Suggestions for candidates?

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Transition for new board – shadow President, VP Administration, VP Fundraising – contact Caryn Segall with any questions
- Issues with Food Days Substitutions
  - People will be contacted if anything has changed
- Buzz books will be distributed the beginning of October
- Friendly Reminders:
  - Next meeting 10/26 at 7:00 pm – Mrs. Deely will discuss RTI (Interventions)

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