



**Fort Washington Elementary School PTA Minutes
General Membership Meeting
November 9, 2016**

PTA President Debbie Rothkopf called the meeting to order at 7:20PM. A quorum was established.

Principal's Report, Stephanie Hultquist and Dr. George Giovanis

- Introduced Interim Principal Dr. George Giovanis. Dr. Giovanis is an experienced Principal and has served as an Interim Principal in many schools in this county and other area counties He told parents that he plans to be a bridge for a smooth transition between the former Principal and the future Principal.

Mindfulness Presentation, Jacquie O'Malley

- Jacquie O'Malley, with the help of a few students, presented some of the mindfulness techniques she has been teaching students and teachers at FWES. Jacquie is a School Counselor and Play Therapist who has been in private practice for seven years. Participating teachers report improved behavior and focus in their classrooms due to the mindfulness program. For more information, visit her website at: projectmindful.org.

Teacher/Staff Liasons, Ms. Padova, Ms. Young, Mrs. Duntzee

- Miss Young thanked the PTA for bus transportation to the orchard, Amelia Bedelia assembly and Big Strides. Also thanked Mr. Bush for the Election and Social Studies reports.
- Mrs. Duntzee thanked the PTA for continued funds for the embryology each year (chicks).
- Ms. Padova thanked the PTA again for the iPad which she can use to upload artwork to Artsonia more quickly.

School Board Report, Sara Rothman

- The School Board approved five-year contract extension for Superintendent Dr. Deborah Wheeler.
- Recent service recognitions include FWES teachers Mrs. Duntzee (20 years), Mrs. Nitschke (25 years) and Mrs. Berezovske (35 years).

Business Meeting:

- October minutes were unanimously approved.
- PTA Treasurer Sherri Gregg gave her report (follows).

Announcements and Committees:

- American Education Week starts November 14th.

- Barnes & Noble Pajama night is November 17th, 6-8PM.
- Turkey Trot is November 18, at 9:45AM.
- Holiday Shop is November 29th and 30th.
- Dine & Earn at MaGerk's on December 7th, 5-9PM.

Thank You:

- Julie and Ed Clark, Pam Olshefski and the Trivia Night committee.
- Lisa Lester, Michelle Haggerty and Deb Fisher for the school directory.
- Ginny Heiss for her continued patience, help and support.

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, at 7pm, in the library.

PTA President Debbie Rothkopf thanked all for coming and adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Minutes prepared by Mia Payne, on November 29, 2016.

Treasurer's Report
November 9, 2016

Deposits:

Return Petty Cash (Trivia Night)	\$ 590.00
Welcome Packets	132.00
Dine & Earn	200.00
Kid Stuff Books	2525.00
PayPal transfer (Trivia Night)	2656.25
Total:	\$ 6103.25

Checks Written:

Trivia Night DJ	\$ 500.00
Trivia Night Venue	100.00
Trivia Night Décor	55.12
Trivia Night Petty Cash	100.00
Book Buddy	206.96
Kindergarten Meet & Greet	50.87
Books & Bagels	54.21
UDHS Post Prom Transportation	250.00
Returned Checks	43.00
Bank Fee	15.00
Total:	\$ 1375.16

Trivia Night:

Sales: \$3146.25
Costs: \$ 655.12
Profit: \$2491.13