

## Tualatin Elementary PTA Meeting

August 21, 2018 – 6:30pm

Location: Garden

**1 - Call Meeting to Order and Welcome** - Andrew Wyse

**2 - Introduction of PTA Board**

**3 - Introduction of all meeting attendees**

**4 - Approve previous meeting's minutes**

**5 - Board Reports** – no board reports as we are new to the board and new school year

**6 - Principal's report** - Mr. Jamie Kingery

1 – Mr. Kingery has been principal for Tualatin Elementary for 8 years and also taught in TTSD prior to his tenure as principal. Thank you to all for joining the first PTA meeting of the year in the Garden. A little Garden history given and invite all in our community to join in enjoying our Garden.

2 - Welcome to so many returning families.

3 - Kinder Camp was today and tomorrow. This is the first year to have this program and we hope that it will better connect families and kids. There is also a social on Sunday at 3pm for all kinders and family. Please contact the school for further information.

4 - Little Free Library in the Garden – Thank you to Cassidy for teaming up with the industrial tech program at Hazelbrook Middle School to build the library. It was installed at the end of the last school year and we look forward to any and all enjoying in in the future.

5 - Teacher staffing for this year – all returning staff members this year.

3 – kinder teachers

3 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers

4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers

3 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers

3 – 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers

3 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers

Best estimate for the number of students starting the year is between 484-490 students.

6 - We have a new program this year for Pre-school aged children. The class is not located at Tualatin Elementary but is overseen by Principal Kingery. The class is taught by a new teacher – Adam Harris. It is 2.5 hours each day either in the morning(8:30am-11:00am) or the afternoon(1:00pm-3:30pm). The have a few spots left. It is open to anyone, but priority will be given to children who live with the Tualatin Elementary boundary.

7 - We now have a one to one ratio of students to iPads in grades 2-5. They are not intended to replace instruction, only enhance instruction. If you have any questions please inquire with your student's teacher or afterward with Mr. Kingery.

**Presidents report** – Andrew Wyse & Sharell Lien

**1 – Membership** is at 56 people at the end of last year. If you are interested in joining this year, dues are \$11.50. Becoming a member gives you the ability to vote of budgets, vote on officers, during fundraising events you are able to handle money, etc.

**2 – Current Volunteer opportunities:**

1 – Hearing and Vision Screening- no date set yet but coming soon, we need a few parents that can shepherd children around.

2 – Spirit Wear – We are looking for someone to shadow our current volunteer and learn how it all works. Help also needed with understanding and keeping inventory. Help also needed selling Spirit Wear at Back to School Night. We usually do a large order in the fall.

**3 – Art Lit – Kim Andress and Natalie Hess**

TTSD program, Parent volunteers teach students in the classroom 5 separate projects throughout the year. Each project is based on a new artist. This is a great way to volunteer in the classroom, get to know your child's teacher better, get to know the other children in the classroom, have fun with the kids in your child's class. To learn the artist and how to teach each session, there will be training sessions prior to teaching the students. One

is held in the day and one in the evening. After the training session, you can schedule with your student's teacher when it works for the class as well as you. Please contact Kim or Natalie if interested.

**3 – Event/Activities**

- 1 – Fall Harvest – First week of November, date coming soon.
- 2 – Winter Holiday – Held in December, Teachers get involved, lots of fun activities including students get to build gingerbread houses, very family friendly fun night, usually on a Friday around the 12th-14th of the month. The will likely need help decorating the rotunda.
- 3 – Stream Night – Happens in Spring. Lots of great activities for kids and parents.  
S = Science, T = Technology, R = Reading, E = Engineering, A = Arts, M = Math.

**4 – Budget Approval** – This will happen in September

**5 – Upcoming Events**

- 1 – Boohoo Woohoo – Event happens on the first day of school.  
Grades 1-5: September 4th, 8am-9am  
Kinder: September 10th, 8am-9am
- 2 – Fun Run – October 5th
- 3 – Kinder Supply Drop-Off – August 29th, 3pm-4pm – Info will be mailed to families in the next couple days about supply drop off as well as teacher information. Opportunity to drop off supplies, see the classroom, meet the teachers.
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- 5 – Back to School Night – September 13th, 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Early or late session. You do not need to go to both. During and afterward there is a free community BBQ hosted by Horizon Community Church. This is not just for all students, families and friends. Located behind the school.

**New Business:**

**1 - Tualatin Elementary Sustainable Garden – Paul Taylor, Landscape Designer**

Garden was started 9 years ago. Students get the opportunity to learn about many native plants from the area, where their food comes from, get their hands dirty and have fun. Each class spends time throughout the year planning, learning, planting, observing, harvesting, etc. Each month we host a work party – usually on a Saturday. We look forward to seeing you having fun in the garden.

**2 - TEAF – Tualatin Elementary Arts Foundation**

TEAF is an after-school program that happens during 3 separate sessions throughout the year. Started about 15 years ago and is entirely privately funded. Classes are offered to all students in 1st-5th grades. Classes include but a not limited to Crafting, Cooking, Soccer, Dance, Math, Homework club, and on and... If kids need a ride home, there is TEAF bus that will take them after each class.

**3 – First week of school will be Early Release** at 2pm. September 4th, 5th, 6th & 7th.

**Adjourn** - Next meeting is on September 11th in the Tualatin Elementary Library at 7pm. Childcare is provided.

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