

Tualatin Elementary School PTA
General Membership Meeting • December 13, 2016
(Held in the Tualatin Elementary School Library)

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Ana Uriostegui, PaLa Liaison and Jymn Heathcott, PTA co-President.

PaLa conducted their meeting first.

Want to vote on a board for PALA

Focus on volunteerism in the Latino community also encouraging volunteerism within the school

3 for me campaign ~ 3 hours a year total from each family per year and find a way past the barriers and childcare; offer a prize/reward as incentive for families to reach the goal

Library always needs volunteers and you can bring your young child if they are well behaved

School wide celebration of Day of the Child April 28th

PaLa official board vote:

President: Judith Abarca

Vice President: Elizabeth Escobar

Secretary: Gloria Esparza and Marisol Torres

Coordinator of Volunteers: Adriana Lopez, Eugenia Soto

Liaison to the PTA: Ana Uriostegui

Next PaLa meeting is Jan 10th

REPORTS

Principal (Mr. Kingery)

A lot going on since last meeting: 2nd grade concert, family OMSI night, several choir concerts, a couple snow days, 3rd grade concert rescheduled, looking to reschedule our Holiday Family Night, winter break starts at the end of the week.

Already halfway through our second quarter of school. Want to thank everyone here and those who aren't here for getting off to a good start this year. Want to wish everyone a warm, safe and wonderful holiday. On behalf of the staff and volunteers not represented here we are looking forward to a wonderful 2017.

1st Grade Staff (Pam Soderquist)

Going strong and appreciative of the volunteers we get. Can always use more help. The team appreciates the money given by the PTA to buy 4 iPads to help kids with math and literacy. Already have some iPads. Also use our funds for field trips; still planning on end of year Zoo field trip. Looking into some free and low cost in house science field trips. Mrs. Fossati gave birth to her baby on Wednesday.

Garden (Pam Soderquist)

Paul Taylor, our Master Gardner is normally here. He gets the teachers out in the Garden and teaches a TEAF class.

Planted strong blooming crocus and other flower bulbs w/ 2nd grade

TEAF planted something and made work party posters

Last work party was on Nov 20 and had 17 people show; mulched over the compost area, transplanted chard seedlings and had refreshments. There will be more work parties as winter ends.

3rd grade planted three kinds of garlic

TEAF harvest herbs and took them home to be used in cooking

Taylor brought the head start students out to the Garden and told them the history

Cauliflower, chard, broccoli and a few others were harvested and given to Aggi to use in cafeteria.

New gloves and pruners were purchased for the Garden by the committee
Cistern catches 2500 gal water to irrigate the garden; bicycle pumps installed to make pumping faster

Have Fun in the Garden!

School Directory (Sharell Lien)

School directory forms went out last week (blue page). If you wish to have your family included in your child's grade-year directory, please complete the form and turn it into the office or your child's teacher. You can also email your information to Wendy O'Riley. Her contact information is on the form.

If you have add your family to the directory in past years, you can update Wendy with your child's teacher, if all the other information is accurate. Your name stays on the list year after year.

Emails go out several times a year with an updated list. If you don't have email, a hard copy can be sent home with your child. There is a place to note this preference on the form.

Box Tops (Sharell Lien)

The current Box Tops contest ends on Friday.

Fall Harvest Dance (Amanda Thorderson)

No one here to report

Winter Holiday Night (Jean Buelna-Pastor, Cindy Krahnke)

Had a little hiccup on this night. Thank you to everyone who stepped up on Facebook who said they'd help get everything set up when we missed school. Discussing to reschedule Winter Holiday Night to Jan 12 or 13. Long standing event we want to make sure it happens. January is still winter so it still works. Hoping to get the rest of the kids' art up on Wed or Thurs after school this week.

Looking for pros and cons of two dates

Jan 12 – TEAF bowling party, a school night

Jan 13 – Monday is a holiday, NOT a holiday that workplaces have off

Friday is sounding like the better date

VP of Fundraising report (Amy Zuckerman)

Doing Family Restaurant night at McMenamins Wilsonville Monday Feb 27th they donate 50% of everyone who comes all night. No flyer needed. From 5pm-11pm.

VP of Volunteers – (Kate Heathcott)

Vision screening Jan 23rd 8-11am; this is a volunteer run event – ALL volunteer run.

Can coordinate with Jean and Cindy for Winter Holiday Night needs

I felt very fortunate to attend the last PaLa meeting. LOVE the 3 for me idea it's brilliant. Also, love the TO DO Bin idea allowing people to take projects home to get done. The ideas from the PaLa meeting are great. It takes the focus from big events to smaller everyday needs.

PTA-specific Business

The membership reviewed the November 1, 2016, meeting minutes. Jean motioned to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Kate. Minutes, as written, were approved by the membership. A quorum was present at the meeting.

Presidents' report (Sharell Lien)

The Unit in Good Standing paperwork was mailed prior to the deadline of Nov. 30. The \$50 check and form for the Corporations Division/Secretary of State was sent today (due by the end of the year).

Membership (Sharell Lien)

There are 47 members to date. Thank you to all who have chosen to be members. When you attend the PTA meeting, please sign in on the member sign-in page. If you wish to become a member, applications are available at the meeting and online at www.tualatinelementarypta.org – dues are \$11.50. To vote at meetings or to handle money at PTA events, you must be a member.

Treasurer's Financial report

No report

QUESTIONS and COMMENTS

If you want to be on the agenda, please let Sharell Lien or Jymn Heathcott know.

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NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7 p.m. – School Library

Co-President Jymn Heathcott adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Prepared by ~

Date presented: January 3, 2017

Danielle Aldinger (Secretary)

Approved as Written or Amended

Secretary

Co-President