

Tualatin Elementary PTA Meeting  
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom  
Meeting Minutes – Oct 19 2021

@ 7 p.m.

Call Meeting to Order and Welcome

Board Reports

- President's report
  - Introduction of Board
  - Membership
  - Membership Forms
  - Volunteer forms
  - PTA Meetings - Every Third Tuesday of the Month; Virtual
  - Open Positions recap - Looking for Volunteers for Secretary.
  
- Garden Updates - Garden Committee agrees to only request \$2,000 instead of the \$3,000 budgeted. Garden Work party is November 20th, 2021 from 9am-11am. Please bring pruning equipment and if anyone has an edger or mower.

October PTA Garden update:

Kindergarten & 1st graders have been out to meet Acer Macrophyllum ...Big leaf maple. It is the first native plant that is taught to our students. We compared and contrasted it to the shape and size of our hands. We also located other trees within the Native part of our garden that are the same. Talked about the turning colors of fall and showed how the seeds fall from the tree like helicopters.

5th grade classes have come out and collected flower seeds from our garden to create unique Scatter garden mixes. These seeds are the culmination of the life cycle of plants. We focused on mature seeds that were ripe enough to be harvested. Each of the three classes are drying the seeds inside and will be holding onto them until we plant our Scatter garden patches in the garden May of 2022. This is a way of giving back to the school with some useful beauty for all to enjoy. It's a lesson in leaving things better than you found them.

3rd graders harvested green beans and Asian pears. They were able to take them home and enjoy them.

4th graders harvested tomatoes and Asian pears. The tomatoes will need to be ripened on their counters at home.

2nd graders are ready to go out with Mr. Taylor and plant Spring bulbs. Tulips, daffodils and crocus are going into the beds to enjoy next Spring. This is a tradition we have been doing for many years.

Plans are being made for Hoe Down in November. Hoping to gather folks on 11/20/21 from 9-11am to put away hoses and cleanup the garden. We will be emptying the Cistern to get ready to fill it with rain water during our wet season.

Bring a lawn mower, edger and any favorite pruning tools to help in the garden.

We are in need of woodchips around the green shed to keep us out of the mud. Know anybody that can donate some?

- TBD: Tualatin Together on ideas on how to connect and help kiddos with Cyndy Hillier  
Pronouns: she/her/hers  
Executive Director  
Tualatin Together  
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- Principal's report  
New Business - Gratitude Pumpkins / Harvest Fest will happen this year on Thursday October 28th from 1-3PM.  
Looking at the "Girls on the Run" after school program to be offered. More information on that as it becomes available.

- Events of the Year:
  - o PTA Meetings:  
Nov 16, skip Dec, Jan 18, Feb 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21
  - o Fun Run

- Memory Book - Nichole will continue to deliver last year's books as they are ordered. Look at donating a book to each classroom to help facilitate the sales for this year's memory books. Dorian Deposit of 500 dollars due next month.

SpiritWear has some volunteers and everyone should be getting

their order forms sent home with kiddos. Send questions to  
[tuesspiritwear@gmail.com](mailto:tuesspiritwear@gmail.com)

Other Business

Adjourn

Important Dates:

- Oct 8: No School
- Oct 28-29: Conferences

NEXT MEETING – Nov 16th

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