

PTO Public Meeting Minutes  
Western Avenue School – Zoom  
Tuesday, September 14, 2021

Executive Board

Mr. Zeman – Principal

Lyndsay Gruetzmacher – Co-President

Jill Johnson – Co-Presidey

Brad Kosirog – Co-Vice President

Diane Pinter – Co-Vice President

Melissa Steuart – Treasurer

Marzena Castillo – Assistant Treasurer

Amanda Tuccini – Secretary

- I. Call to Order & Welcome
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Introduction of all Present: PTO Board, Mr. Zeman, Ms. Dauber, Ms. Spencer, Ms. Pysarencko, Ms. Shannon, Ms. Augustine, Ms. Trygg, Ms. Kovarick, Samantha Maluskey, Nicki Burke, Dani Gunier, Corey Bernard, Jessica Venard, Kasey Burke, Kristi Kusak
- IV. Approval of May 2021 Minutes
  - A. 1<sup>st</sup> - Brad Kosirog
  - B. 2<sup>nd</sup>- Jill Johnson
- V. Treasurer’s Report – Melissa Steuart
- VI. Principal’s Report – Mr. Zeman (see below)
- VII. Sign Up Genius Room Parents and Committee Sign-ups
  - A. Two New Committees
    1. Golf Outing Committee
    2. Teacher Appreciation Committee
- VIII. PTO Donation Requested from WAS Families \$30 per child/ \$50 per family
- IX. Directory Spot Up and Running
- X. Comments from Audience
  - A. Kristi Kusak requested a parent survey be sent to families for volunteer interests and times available
  - B. Samantha Malusky Commented that more Lunch Room Supervisors are desperately needed. Please Contact Mr. Zeman if interested. Positions available from 1-5 days a week.
- XI. Motion to Adjourn Meeting
  - A. 1<sup>st</sup> Amanda Tuccini
  - B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Melissa Steuart

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**Principal’s Report**

**New Families**

Welcome our 25 new families who have brought us 33 new students in grades 1 -5. Out of our 50 Kindergarteners, 18 of these students represent brand new families to Western. I want to send out a warm welcome to these families as well.

## **New Staff/Changes**

Speaking of new families, we also have some new staff and changes:

- Kellie Jeralds -K Teacher - Room 130
- Nicole McCloud - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Teacher - Room 138
- Troy Potsic - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher
- Eryn Shannon - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
- Lindsay McNally - Reading Specialist
- Ellie Kanani - ELL
- Sara Wade - Reading Tutor
- Heather Pakenham - Maternity Sub for Bethany Fowler
- Mary Danek - Maternity Sub for Monica Luessenhop
- Alexandra Pease - .5 Kindy Asst.
- Meral Cosentino - Technology Assistant
- Frankie Teti-Teal - SLC Assistant
- Carrie Pantano - .5 Floater

## **Building Changes**

- ✓ Door coming into office to be fobbed.
- ✓ Parking lot sink hole fixed.

## **School Improvement Plan Focus for 2020-2021**

- Year 3 New Science and Writing Curricula
- Math
- Reading
- SEL
- Climate

→ Second Step

## **What Have We Been Doing?**

- 8/17 – Back to School Party
- 8/17 – K Supply Drop-off
- 8/18 - First day back – PTO Breakfast
- Safety Drills – Fire, Weather, Bus Evac and Law Enforcement coming soon
- Benchmark Assessments
- 9/2 – Outdoor Ed Meeting for 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents
- 9/3 - Teacher Institute Day
- 9/6 – NO SCHOOL – Labor Day
- 9/7 – Virtual Curriculum Night Videos
- 9/10 – All-School Assembly to kick off HEROES

## **Upcoming Dates**

- 9/15 – Picture Day
- 9/17 – HEROES
- 9/20 – Joint PTO Meeting – 7:00 PM at
- 9/21 – 9/22 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Ed
- 9/24 – Spirit Day
- 9/27 – ROE Annual Safety Inspection
- 10/1 – National Custodian Appreciation Day
- Week of 10/4 – Fire Drill with GFD
- 10/5 & 10/12 – Fall Data Meetings
- 10/6 – International Walk-to-School Day
- 10/8 – 11:20 Dismissal
- 10/11 – NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day
- 10/15 – Pumpkin Festival
- 10/15 - HEROES
- 10/27 – Picture Retakes
- 10/29 – Halloween Parade & Parties
- Week of 11/8 – Grade 2 Service Project
- 11/8 - Tribes
- 11/12 – Veteran’s Day Assembly

## **Other Info.....**

- ❖ G.R.O.W. Program