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# PTA/PSCC MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Join Meeting Online via Google Meets:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ftx-swyh-neh>

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## ATTENDEES

- Principal Zyhier (Principal), Linda Vicaro (Dilworth PTA President), Alexis Tuckfelt (Vice President), Lauren Brown (Treasurer), Natasha Vazquez Lee (Secretary), Principal Qualisha Zyhier
- Approximately 27 people (including staff, parents, families and community members) joined in person/via Google Meets

## NOTES

### 1. Welcome & Sign-In

- [Sign-In Sheet](#) for Meeting
- [Join the PTA](#)

### 2. [Last meeting's minutes](#) review

Motion to approve by Ms. Dougan, second by Mrs. Russell

### 3. Treasurer's Report

- [Budget Report for October](#)
- PayPal transfer on 10/17 of \$1057.89 that included revenue generated last fiscal year including read-a-thon, teacher appreciation, yard sale, and \$50 designated for backpack initiative.
- HUGELY successful bake sale! Less the cashbox we raised \$957.89 inclusive of cash and PayPal
- Thank you to the Vazquez Lee family for their annual gift to the music program - this year was \$597.02 - this is almost \$200 more than last year's gift.
- A wonderful result for the backpack initiative's October dress down day - \$470 that will be reflected in November.
- Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the PTA meeting pizza fund

- Lastly, thank you to Alexis, Fiona, and Jason for being on the audit committee and for completing the 2023 audit.

#### **4. Holiday Shop**

- Dates: Week of Dec. 4th
- Stephanie and Fiona have been shopping for merchandise
- Volunteers (Clearances needed)-- We need MANY people to help set up (Dec. 1)/tear down (Dec. 8) as well as shopping helpers; classroom shopping schedule has been approved by the principal and will be posted soon
- Student Envoys will also help students shop-- Ms. Albanese and 5th grade teachers will coordinate student volunteers
- We would love craft donations of about 24 items each: sign-up sheet is on the PTA website

#### **5. Updates on PTA Programs & Initiatives**

- Backpack Initiative-- supplies moved upstairs to help logistically
- Uniform Exchange-- everything is currently running smoothly
- Little Free Library (Chair still needed!)-- sign-up sheet to help keep an eye on the books
- Silent Auction (Chair still needed!)-- This brings in a significant amount of money, but we cannot pull it off without a new chairperson
- Fundraising: Five Below: December 1-8 (we will receive 10% of purchases)
- Fundraising: Giving Tuesday (Nov. 28): Some companies match donations; watch the Facebook group and page for links and more info
- Sarris Chocolate fundraiser: need 2 volunteers to check orders and money, receive and organize boxes for distribution
- Teacher Appreciation: provide breakfast before winter break; we need someone to coordinate food (and possibly decorations)
- T-shirt design contest/apparel sale: possibly Jan/Feb

#### **6. Comments/Questions & Items For the Next Agenda**

- Next Meeting: Tuesday, Dec 19, 2023
- Upcoming community events: Highland Park Turkey Trot (day after Thanksgiving) and Highland Park Light-up Night; please share additional events with Principal Zyhier
- Please let us know if you have any ideas for PTA sponsored activities.

#### **7. PSCC & Principal's Report**

- Principal Zyhier thanked everyone for supporting students through the painful loss of Coach Lukitsh
- Guest Speaker: Mr. Anthony Rose, Dilworth Parent and Executive Director of Struggling Through Grace, Grace Through Struggling: Family Healing Dynamics
  - Accountability and boundary setting are key to healing
  - His book has storytelling learning modules to help kids see their real selves; simulation modules to act out scenarios

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Principal Qualisha Zyhier



- STGGTS is a mentorship program that facilitates conversations between kids and parents and addresses trauma
- Upcoming Dates:
  - November 15: 1st Quarter Report Card Distribution
  - November 17: 1st Quarter Day With Your Stars Assembly; Half Day Early Dismissal 12:25
  - November 23-27: Thanksgiving Break
  - December 4-7: Holiday Shop
  - December 15: Half Day Early Dismissal 12:25
  - December 18: 2nd Quarter Progress Report Distribution
  - December 20: Winter Concert
  - December 25-January 2: Winter Break

Motion to adjourn: Rachel Riley Lavelle, seconded by Alexis Tuckfelt