

## **Wake Forest High School PTSA Meeting**

**November 10, 2025**

**6:00 PM in the Media Center and via Google Meet**

### **AGENDA**

#### **I. Discussion Items**

**Call to Order: 6:04**

- A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions - Amy Reigle
  - We are working on compiling a list of people who may want to volunteer for short term projects as they arise. There are always needs for someone to run a quick project that isn't really a committee, such as coordinating snacks for the homecoming dance volunteers or helping set up the principal chats with snacks. These are quick tasks, and if we had a few people we know we could ask when needs arise, that would be extremely helpful. Just if a task speaks to you and you are available. If you would like to be on my email list when we need some extra help, please let me know! We are trying to make a calendar of regular events so we are prepared every year with volunteers. It is still a work in progress!
  - We would like to vote on adding Jill as a member at large if we have quorum. A member at large is part of the board of directors and part of the voting board - **Motion: Stacey R Second: Nicole**  
**All in favor: passed**
- B. Principal's Report - Melissa Thomas
  - 1. Staff were very thankful and appreciative of the Friendsgiving Potluck Meal on the workday
  - 2. Make up pictures on November 13th
  - 3. Principal visits during 2nd period
- C. Staff Update - Ansley Fondow
  - 1. Teacher Workday Meal
- D. Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve made

by: **Jill Backstrom**

Seconded by: **Tara Ayers**

In favor: **13**

Nays: **0**

Abstain: **0**

Motion **Passes/Fails**

#### **II. Committee Reports**

- A. Advocacy - Tara Ayers and Andrea Wright - Article on stress and anxiety and effective coping was written for newsletter.

B. Student Health and Wellness - Spencer Wright - posters on anxiety and stress will be posted around the school this week.

C. Communication

1. Website - Kiara Pond

a) I will be updating the website at least once a month, I will try to do more as needed to ensure events are current. Please feel free to send anything you would like on the site to my email [kmpond2@gmail.com](mailto:kmpond2@gmail.com) Thank you!

2. Newsletter - Amy Reigle

a) Deadline for information: Nov 25th. With the thanksgiving holiday at the end of the month, please try to get me info early! Is the newsletter/spirit nights email still getting lost in people's spam?

3. Social Media -Jill Backstrom

Nothing new to report! Just send reminders if you don't see something posted. Text is best 919-931-1497

D. Fundraising

1. Spirit Nights - Kim Bailey and Amanda Taylor

a) The [Aye Toro](#) Spirit Night was a great success! \$200 Raised!  
b) Zaxby's November 12 Spirit Event 5-8 PM 10% of all sales!  
(Also May 12!)  
c) Culver's December 2 Spirit Event 5-8 PM 10 % of all sales!  
(Also March 10!)  
d) Red Robin on January 13 ALL DAY! 20% of all sales that mention the fundraiser/show the flyer.

2. Retail Rebates - Giving Tree - Amy Reigle

a) Nothing to report. Keep donating and shopping!

3. Cougar Challenge and Membership -

a) Talking Points message brought in about \$500 and several memberships!

E. Hospitality - Melanie Gambone and Chrissa Wood

1. The Friendsgiving Staff Lunch was amazing! We received so much positive feedback. Thank you to all the volunteers and those who donated, we truly cannot do these events without your help!!
2. Our next event will be our polar express hot chocolate and popcorn on Dec 10th.

F. Nominating Committee - Chrissa Wood - We need 2 more members by Jan. Please consider being part of the committee. It doesn't take much time and helps us keep our PTSA strong by finding new leaders!

G. Senior Class Activities - Jill Backstrom  
Senior report card treats went well. Packing/talking about the Senior breakfast at the same time. I think we were in and out in a little over an hour. Will have a meeting at the beginning of January to finalize things more for the breakfast. Can we talk about dates for that now??  
We did an amazon wishlist for the items for the treat bags and it went well. We sold out pretty quickly and delivery to the school went well, as far as I know. Will have to pay closer attention to size for chocolate candy next time. Only 1 person asked if they could buy things to drop off instead which was fine. So I would definitely do again!

H. Senior Scholarships - Stacey Robinson  
1. The scholarship is live as of November 1st. It was changed to a google form this year and I'm hoping that it works. I've had a few email inquiries so I think it's working. The 3 judges have been secured, and I'm looking for 2 other application readers. I'm also looking for someone to shadow me for next year since I'll have a Senior next year. The information was sent in the senior treat bags on Friday. It is also on the PTSA website and in the November newsletter.

I. Staff and Club Grants -Larissa Moore  
1. We have done two grants for online programs for Ms.Bhatti and Brautman.  
2. There are 4 new grants being processed now... Ms.Owens, Raye and Kastendike. There are also two possible grants from D and D club and Collision repair.  
3. The media center grant only has two books left to be delivered and are working on pictures for us to post.  
4. Thank you to Ms.Thomas for putting the grant form in her message out to staff.

I. Budget/Financial Report - Nicole Weeks  
1. Budget  
2. IRS Tax Forms for 2024 have been filed

J. SIT (School Improvement) - Chrissa Wood  
1. No Update. I will have more information after the next SIT meeting.

K. BAC (Board Advisory Council) - Melanie Gambone - next meeting is Dec 8th at Zebulon Elementary

### **III. Other School Organizations:**

#### A. Art/Drama

1. Theater and Tech Theater competed at NCTC this past weekend in Pinecrest and placed Third! Great Job! The judges said their set was amazing and had no suggestions of things to do better.
2. A Christmas Carol Dec 11-13, 7 PM
3. Spring Musical: Something Rotten, Apr 17-18, 24-26

#### B. Athletic Boosters -

#### C. Band Boosters

#### D. Business Alliance - Larissa Moore

1. Our next meeting is December 2 at 7:30 am Virtual
2. College Fair is November 13 during 3rd period and lunch
3. Help is needed for Speed Networking - December 11

#### Speed Networking

#### E. FFA-

#### F. JROTC - Fish Fry sold over 800 plates in total. (over 600 from cadets). Christmas Parade in Rolesville. Spirit Night on Monday, December 8th and will be all day. Just need to mention the fundraiser

### **IV. Announcements/Closing Remarks**

#### A. Announcements:

1. Next Meeting: Dec 8th at 6pm. Will people be able to attend or do we want to do all virtual? December can be busy but I'm happy to meet in person!
2. PTSA T-shirts: We are looking to place the order in the next couple weeks. They will be a little more than we first anticipated. 7.25% Tax also has to be added so S-XL will cost \$20.38 each and 2XL will cost \$22.52 and 3XL will cost \$23.60. Please let us know if you still want the shirts and pay either cash, check or venmo. This is not a fundraiser. Chrissa Wood will be handling the order so please make checks payable to her. Please do not pay through the PTSA website.

#### B. Q&A

- 1.

#### C. Meeting Adjourned: **7:17**

Adjourned:

Attendance:

- Amy Reigle
- Nicole Weeks
- Stacey Robinson
- Melissa Thomas
- Larissa Moore
- Zainab Bhatti
- Jill Backstrom
- Chrissy Hedrick
- Sonja Phillips
- Ansley Fondow
- Victoria Sammons
- Andrea Wright
- Tara Ayers
- Amanda Taylor