

Newcastle Elementary PTSA

Parent Teacher Student Association



Newcastle Elementary PTSA Board Meeting
Wednesday November 9, 6p-7p
Newcastle Elementary Library

Attendance: Mary Vickers, Tod Wood, Ali Bligh, Danielle Colatasti, Jennifer Choi

Topics

Dr. Wood Update

No updates at this time

President Update

Nominating Committee—still looking for one more. Whitney Walker and Dana Kinghorn have volunteered so far.

Membership DRAWING—chair is working on some ideas. Possibly do drawings for parents with local business gift cards, and by class percentage for teachers to earn Scholastic gift cards to restock their classroom libraries. Also incentivize getting into the PTSA directory which we hope to have finished in December.

Grant Requests – One from librarian Ms. Snyder for \$1600 for an author visit. Will request a vote at membership meeting since this is over \$1k and requires a membership vote.

Spirit Wear—sale is currently happening through November 18 for delivery before winter break.

Volunteer Update

Staff Appreciation in Nov—next staff appreciation will be the cookie exchange in December.

Programs Update

Reflections update—completed. No word on numbers yet

Fall Festival numbers—103 families attended, event went very well!

Popcorn update—new machine has been delivered and sitting in PTSA office for now. Aiming for January to begin popcorn Fridays again.

Looking into winter event, culture fair, possibly week of Feb 13th. Still need a chair.

Outreach Update

Gift barn/Food Drive–Gift barn this year will be in the form of gift cards to IFCB. Danielle will check if they want us to deliver them all of if families deliver themselves.

Food drive will be in January when it is most needed. Rebecca Nguyen will chair the food drive again.

Thanksgiving baskets being put on by other PTSAs. We are sending sign-up genius to families in the school to participate and Carla Geraci (sub for school counselor) will inquire about baskets that may be needed for Newcastle families.

Treasurer Update

SOA-Standards of Affiliation

990 taxes by November 15–Ali has done herself, saving the PTSA \$500!!!

Renew insurance November 30–done

Secretary Update

Training status--how many left–quite a few! Please go to WA State PTA and login and do your training!

Directory–please see above

Upcoming Important Dates

Thursday, November 11	No School--Veterans Day
Friday, November 18	Spirit Wear Due
Wednesday, November 23	Principal Coffee Talk
Thurs/Fri November 25 & 26	Thanksgiving Holiday
Wed/Thurs November 30th & December 1st	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Wednesday, November 30	Angel Program Spirit Wear Donations End
December 3, 3p	Songs of the Season Choir Performance
December 7, 7p	PTSA Board Meeting