

Windsong Elementary PTO

General PTO Meeting - Parent Orientation
Tuesday, September 5, 2023

School Administration

Wendy McAshlan, Principal
Brandon Barron, Vice Principal
Brandi Hoover, Counselor

PTO Executive Board

Jessica Hileshiem, Senior Co-President
Julie Moss, Junior Co-President
Katie Delany, Vice President
Lori Juricek, Treasurer
Joei Skillman, Secretary



1. Meeting Discussion Items

- a. Introduction to PTO Board - Jessica welcomed and introduced the 2023-2024 Board (See above list). She also provided the PTO contact information: email (gowindsongpto@gmail.com), facebook page (Windsong Elementary PTO), and on instagram (@windsongpto)
- b. Big Ideas
 - i. We're starting fresh! - Julie explained that with our school moving from 3rd-5th to Kinder-5th, we are going to experience a learning curve and we are laying the foundation for a strong PTO moving forward. Things will be different than previous years, but not totally and that can and will be a great thing!
 - ii. Supporting the Students, Staff, Teachers, and Parents - Julie explained this has always been and will continue to be the main priority for our PTO.
 - iii. We're more than just fundraising - Julie discussed that while PTO does help fundraise for various events and for the school and teachers overall, there are so many other ways we support. For example, organizing the class parties, volunteering to help where teachers need it, helping to coordinate various student enrichment days throughout the year, and more!
 - iv. PTO Membership: Allows you to volunteer, stay informed, and let your voice be heard. - Julie went over all these benefits of being a paid PTO member, and also explained how to sign up - visit the WindsongPTO.org website, click Register Here, create a family profile and pay your dues. In addition, Julie mentioned the requirement by FISD for the background check and the volunteer training.

c. Introduction to Committees:

- i. Socials
- ii. Hospitality
- iii. Spirit Store
- iv. Windsong CARES
- v. Read-a-Thon
- vi. Feed the Piggies Fundraiser
- vii. Field Day
- viii. School Supplies
- ix. Book Fair
- x. Silent Auction
- xi. Class Shirts
- xii. Registration/Membership
- xiii. Spirit Nights
- xiv. Holiday Market
- xv. STEAM Day
- xvi. Major Fundraising (Raise 365/Color Run)

1. Jessica talked through the various PTO Committees that need help with multiple volunteers. Some need more than others, like Field Day, etc. There are lots of ways to get involved! Also, there was a form available to sign up for the committees you were interested handed out.

2. Announcements

- a. Calendar of Events - Julie discussed the various upcoming events on the calendar for September - various Spirit events (Spirit Night at Burger Joint, Spirit Day and Spirit Store later in the month), holidays and meetings, Fundraisers (including Read-a-thon, Book Fair, and Feed the Piggies, and JJ's Car Wash Give Back)

3. Questions

4. Adjournment