

Windsong Elementary PTO

PTO General Meeting
Wednesday, May 1, 2024
11:30 AM, Windsong Library

1. President's Welcome/Call to Order - Julie M @ 11:31am 5 minutes
 - a. Approval of March Meeting Minutes - Approved by Manny E motioned, Ashley K seconded

2. Guest Speaker - Ashley Adair, FEF 20 minutes
 - a. Update of FEF and Grants, [Presentation](#)
 - i. Ashley Adair - The Grant program is their mission. All Grants are put online for the community to purchase, and work to get as many things funded as possible. The fundraising budget gets divided different every year, based on the needs. The committee meets and they collectively decide how to distribute. All Windsong Grants were funded!! The Windsong PTO donated \$4,100 to the Treasure Chest, and that helped as well. The District received a state award about the
 - ii. Julie M - Has it ever been considered to cap a campus total Grant amount so it can be more evenly distributed? Ashley A - This has not been a thought in the past.
 - iii. Stephanie J - If it was Community Funded, does that mean someone went in and bought it? Ashley A - Yes, someone went in and purchased in the time between Giving Tuesday and Gala.
 - iv. Jessica H - What is the thought process at when the grants are purchased? If you change grades, etc, why not do this during the summer so they are able to use stuff if the teacher changes? Ashley A - This is a CON to the Adopt-A-Grant model. It is a built in challenge, but the grants are processed weekly in regards to things purchased by the community early on. The guideline is if the grant resource can still have an impact if the teacher moves within FISD it will move with them, but if not it stays back. Wendy M - There are some grants in the classroom before Christmas!
 - v. Amy N - Sometimes grants are too large to personally do them, so she funded a random thing. Ashley A - This
 - vi. Jessica H - Is there a way to partially fund a Grant, so you can choose versus just doing Treasure Chest? Ashley A - They did look into another community way to post the grants, but it would make more accounting issues.
 - vii. Julie M - The amount Windsong PTO donated how was it contributed? Ashley A - It was considered Total Funded because it was a Treasure Chest donation, not specific grant purchase.

3. Principal's Report 5 minutes

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- a. Principal's Update - Wendy M - It's May 1st and we almost made it!! Thank you for the Treasure Chest donation - We got Fully Funded! Volunteer Breakfast will be May 15th at 8:45am at Windsong.

4. Committee Reports

25 minutes

a. Treasurer

- i. Previous Month Financial Report, [April BvA](#) - Lori J - Outstanding expenses are Socials and Maintenance Event. We still have some outstanding checks (Raise 365 and taxes), will need to reconcile and can get exact numbers. Will likely be a little lower than expected, but close. Parry's check was delivered and deposited.

b. Vice President

- i. Adult Socials in Silent Auction - Heather S - The event went and hope everyone had fun! Stephanie J - there are still tickets left for the Cookie and Wine social at Total Wine. The event is Monday, May 6th, so hopefully we can sell the last 9 tickets.

c. Fundraising

- i. Raise365 Update - Jessica H - Had to push out because of Silent Auction and Color Run, and it didn't go well. Could potentially do it during an Open House or something along those lines if you want to do it next year. There is not cost to us, so up to you guys for next year.

d. General Committee Chair Reminders/Volunteers of the Month

- i. Volunteers of the Month - Jessica H & Julie M - Thank you!!!

1. Rachel Dobson
2. Valerie Smith

- ii. Socials

1. Grade Level Socials - [Tickets available NOW!](#)

- a. Kinder - AcroSports Friendswood, May 8th 6:00-7:00pm
- b. First Grade - Pearwood Skate, May 3rd 5:30-7:30pm
- c. Second Grade - Windsong Cafeteria, May 10th 3:30-5:30pm
- d. Third Grade - Stevenson Park, May 9th 6:00-8:00pm
- e. Fourth Grade - Windsong Field, May 10th 3:30-5:30pm
- f. Fifth Grade - Windsong Gym, May 10th 6:30-8:30pm

2. WindsongPTO.org/Volunteer for opportunities!!

- iii. Hospitality - Valerie S - May 6-10 is teacher appreciation week, and our hospitality team will be hosting a lunch to show our appreciation. They will be providing different flavors of Chicken Salad Chick, but are looking for help from parents to provide all the extras. If you are able and willing, we would appreciate your assistance! - Julie M - Just a few things left on the signup genius. Stephanie J - Does she need help? Julie M - She has a small committee and gets the help she needs.

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5. New Business 5 minutes
 - a. President(s)
 - i. 2024-2025 Board/Chairman Vote - Julie M - Went through nominations for Board. Jessica H - All in favor win. Julie M - went through Chairman - All in favor win.
 - ii. Present Mrs McAshlan with check - Being postponed.
 - iii. Please take the EOY Survey! - Julie M - Strong opinions coming out, so we are trying to be as productive as possible. Asked if it can be sent out to all parents

6. Announcements 5 minutes
 - a. Silent Auction & Winter Festival still need Chairs. Stephanie J - Really need people to step up for those, but mostly for Silent Auction. Also talking about moving Silent Auction, so it won't be so overwhelming. Because they are moving it up, they are a little scared for not finding someone until next school year.
 - b. Dates to Remember
 - i. Teacher Appreciation, May 6th-10th
 - ii. PTO Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, May 7th
 - iii. May 16th for PTO Officer/Chair Meeting canceled and will meet separately.

7. Open Floor 5 minutes
 - a. Amy N - Thank you for the current board

8. Adjournment - Julie M - 12:20pm

[You can view the Meeting Presentation Here.](#)