

Washington Tiger PTO, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting **Minutes**
Monday, September 15, 2025
5:15pm – Washington School Library

1. Call to Order @ 5:20pm
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
 - a. Motion to approve. Approved.
4. Report of the Officers
 - a. President
 - i. Popcorn went well last Friday. It's a good time! Need volunteers; please check the signup genius.
 - ii. First restaurant fundraiser finished, and we made \$358. Last year was right around the same, so this is a good start to the year.
 - b. Vice President
 - i. Results of teacher questionnaire
 1. Sent out PTO questionnaire to teachers. Got 14 responses; some of the top feedback was highlighted:
 - a. What did teachers like from last year?
 - i. Bussing for Field Trips big #1
 - ii. Classroom grants/reimbursements
 - iii. Small tokens of appreciation to the teachers.
 - b. What can the PTO help with this year?
 - i. Continue things mentioned above
 - ii. PTO Wish Tree for classrooms
 - iii. Help Organize celebration days
 - iv. Host events
 - v. Extra winter gear for students
 - vi. Help create reading backpacks
 - c. Biggest needs Washington school has?
 - i. More involvement and engagement
 - ii. More playground activities
 - iii. Shade on playground
 - iv. Volunteers to help with clerical work
 - v. Extra winter gear
 - vi. Help with Field trips
 - d. What would help you attend PTO meetings?
 - i. Virtual meetings
 - ii. They make the day really long
 - iii. Childcare
 - iv. Food
 - ii. Need for volunteers for Noodles & popcorn days

1. Noodles & Co, Wed the 24th: need 1 volunteer from 4-7ish. Helping bus tables, etc. Facebook page, most recent PTO email. A parent offered to help that day.
2. Popcorn volunteers: 10 volunteer spots open (majority full). Again, facebook, most recent PTO email.

c. Treasurer

- i. 24/25 budget wrap up
- ii. 25/26 budget review
 1. Mention that the Washington PTO is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization.
 - a. Means we are held to standards which helps give legitimacy/security when we raise money
 - b. Allows people to claim deductions
 - c. Opens up some grant opportunities.
 2. Current account balances:
 - a. Money Market account ~\$44k
 - b. Checking account ~\$5k
- iii. grants & reimbursements
- iv. What's our goal? What are we working toward?
 1. Previous years PTO said, "working toward playground"
 - a. But that's been "in two years" for a long time
 2. The PTO has some cash, what can we do to improve the school *now*? What would teachers and parents like us to spend that money on to improve Washington now?
 - a. Music risers: explain how we borrow them from other schools, they're big and heavy; we have to schedule concerts all on the same day.
 - b. Used to have kids stand on the steps in the gym, but those are small (narrow) and also don't fit full classes very well.

d. Secretary

- i. New facebook page
- ii. Website! Working to make google calendar subscribe-able.

e. Principal

- i. Kids are doing well
- ii. 2week kindness kickoff
- iii. Month of September: Respect.
- iv. Academics: working hard implementing new CKLA English Language Arts program
- v. Fall assessment for reading and math going on right now.

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

- a. Picture Day – need one volunteer for picture day. September 25th.
 - i. Two parents volunteered!
- b. Create Committees
 - i. Family Events

1. Trunk or treat, or new October event
 - a. Pumpkin carving event? Pumpkin Painting?
 - b. Fall Festival?
 - c. Yay committee! Let's pick a date for the event and then hand it off to the committee.
 - i. Mondays bad... Tuesday 10/28.
 - ii. We should have an RSVP to determine how many pumpkins.
 2. Tom Pease in spring – Booked
 3. Other events planned for 2025/2026
- ii. Race for Education
 1. Biggest fundraiser of the year. Getting sponsors, handling prizes and donations, etc.
- iii. Fundraising
 1. Restaurants
 2. Mada – Washington apparel store/order.
 3. Motion to approve \$2k for risers (if grant to help purchase from Mead Winter Foundation is approved).
 - a. Could also look at other grant opportunities.
7. Announcements
8. Adjournment @ 6:24pm