

Westlake Elementary
Parent Teacher Association - Second Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 | 8:30 - 9:20 am | MUR

Attendees

Robson
Fabiola
Mitch
Olivia
Maria G
Cheryl D
Tamara
Masha
Paula
Alana
Linn
Win
Fatima

Notes

1. PTA status: Westlake Elementary is off to a great start!
 - a. Paula has been meeting with other PTA leaders in the Jefferson Council PTA and recently attended the Principals and Presidents Dinner with Ms. O Neill (Sep 30th)
 - b. Back to school potluck had 190 attendees, including school board members Pamela DiGiovanni and School Board President Clayton Koo.
 - c. PTA Membership
 - i. PTA leads JESD with 117 members, of 365 student body population. This is a 123% of last year's. We hope to double membership by EOY.
 - ii. Another membership drive may be held after walk-a-thon.
2. Literacy night was a success! (PTA-sponsored)
 - a. Teachers held exercises and demos in their classroom to show techniques and fun ways to improve reading comprehension, phonics and vocabulary!
3. Serramonte, Shopping it's a trip!
 - a. Westlake is \$12k behind #1 school (Monte Verde)
 - b. Keep receipts coming!
4. Walk-A-Thon
 - a. Launched last week.

- b. Goal is \$25k. Stretch goal is \$30k
 - c. First count is \$1,991.08 as of Oct 7th, 2019
 - d. Prizes accumulate.
 - e. Prizes are listed in walk-a-thon flyers
 - f. Prize distribution events
 - i. Teachers requesting class party events be held relatively close to termination of walk-a-thon (event is oct 23, termination is oct 31)
 - g. Pledgestar is still in progress
5. 5th Grade Ceremony Suggestion
- a. A parent suggested to have a formal promotion ceremony for 5th graders rather than a clapout. Other parents suggested that we do a survey among 5th grade parents to determine what they would like to do for their children at the end of the school year..

Action items

1. Shopping trip slide on digital signage
2. Survey among 5th Grade parents for end of year ceremony
3. Find a Parent Volunteer for the National PTA Reflections Art Program