

Grindstone PTA

Newsletter

September 2019



A Word from Your President

Dear Grindstone PTA,

I have loved meeting and working with each one of you. When I told you my goal this year was to listen, I really didn't know if anyone would take me up on that, but I have had a wonderful and surprising response. I have already met with many of you to hear your new ideas and answer your questions and frankly, I love any excuse to go out for coffee, so it was pretty fun work!

I want to give a very special thanks to everyone who attended the September meeting. It was heartwarming to see so many of you actively participating and exercising your voting rights as a member. If you were unable to attend the meeting I hope to see you in October.

My proverbial door is always open,

Lauren Lloyd

Grindstone PTA President

2019-2020

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~ September Meeting Recap ~

- We adopted Resolution 1-2019, which approved our 2019-2020 budget.
- We voted on the postponement of Resolution 2-2019, which is on the adoption of our Standing Rules*.

* If you did not take a copy of the Standing Rules home with you or if you missed the meeting please contact me and I can get you copy to review at home.

Our next meeting is:

Thursday October 10th at 7:00PM in the school cafeteria



Kids Club Recap

We had a great turnout for our first Kids Club! A big thank you to Megan Carter and Bonnie Zeiger for keeping us organized and managing our amazing group of volunteers that night! Also thank you to Mr. Piesen and his NHS students from BMHS. The kids loved working with them. Since the theme this month was *service*, the children participated in a service project in which they made crafts for the residents at Generations Senior Living facility in Berea.

***Next month Kids Club will feature an instructor from Caliber Dance Company. The children will learn some dance basics to fun music. Make sure your child(ren) wear comfortable clothes.**



Parliamentary Pointers: The Agenda

What is the agenda?

If you were at the September meeting you were asked to vote on the adoption of the agenda, which is the list of items to be discussed at the meeting. This is something that we do at the beginning of each general meeting.

Why do we adopt it?

Once the agenda is adopted it becomes a binding document. If the discussion at the meeting goes off topic and time is being used the wrong way, **any member** can point out that the agenda is not being followed.

How can I point this out?

First obtain the floor and then simply say, “Madam President I call for the orders of the day”. At that point, I will be obligated to return to the schedule as written on the agenda.



We have some very fun events planned over the next few months for Grindstone. We need your help in making these events run efficiently and smoothly. Any form of help or amount of time that you can give is greatly appreciated!

We need volunteers for:

Carnival, November 2

Mobile Dentist, November 20 and 21 (during school hours)

Book Fair, November 4-8, during school hours and conferences

Grand Event, November 7

I am also looking for people who are available during school the day to work with students on reading and math with our Flashcard and Reading Buddy programs. It is necessary that anyone who volunteers for these programs be fingerprinted as you will be working one on one or in small group with students.

If you have not filled out the volunteer information sheet, or need a new one, please let me know. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me. Thank you again for all you do to help make PTA a success!

Megan Carter

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I think we can all agree that Hot Diggity Dog was a fantastic kick-off event filled lots of food, face painting, twisted balloon art, friends, and fun! It was a great night celebrating a great school year!

We want to give a loud shout out to our volunteers! Thank you to all the teachers and staff who came early and stayed late to make sure the whole night went smoothly. Thank you to the All Pro Dad members for manning the grill and cooking up all those dogs. We are lucky to have a great network of families at Grindstone that come together to make all these fun family activities happen. We couldn't do it without you. So, THANK YOU!





Parent teacher conferences are Monday November 4th and Wednesday November 6th. The PTA will be putting on a small dinner for the teachers that evening. If anybody would be so kind to donate a dessert, paper plates, bottled water, or pop it would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to make a donation please contact me at winters0224@gmail.com.

Thank you,
Lisa Winters



Room Captains Needed

We still have 3 spots open:

Grade 1 - Mrs. Byers

Grade 4 - Mrs. Prohaska and McGee

DO YOU BELIEVE IN

PTA?

DO YOU FEEL OTHERS WOULD BENEFIT
BY BECOMING A MEMBER?

IF YOU DO... THEN...



YOU
BELONG
IN OUR
COMMITTEE

**WHEN YOU BELIEVE IN PTA, YOU BELIEVE
IN YOURSELF AND THAT YOU CAN MAKE
A DIFFERENCE IN OUR CHILDREN'S LIVES.**

HELP US KICK-OFF OUR FIRST MEETING AND BRAINSTORM WAYS WE CAN
CREATE AWARENESS OF THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A MEMBER OF PTA.

Oct 1st | 6:30p-7:30p | Grindstone Library



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2019 Fall Fundraiser

Fundraising packets went home last week. There are selling instructions inside your packets. Please turn paper orders in by **October 10th** and online sales by **October 11th**. All checks should be made payable to **Grindstone Elementary PTA**. The prizes for top sellers may include various prizes from the prize chart in your packet, a money machine experience, a limo ride, or Indians tickets.

If you have any questions, please contact Molly Fritz at mcatfritz@gmail.com