

**Weddington Christian Academy
Parent Teacher Fellowship Meeting
September 5, 2023**

Parents in attendance were Sheila Asare, Misty Barratta, Candace Definis, Jocelyn Jacob, Dania Lee, Amy Martin, Meylani Mpofo, Tracey Persica, Jay Peters, Jennifer Potter, Natasha Robinson, Mary Beth Roth, Nicole Simoneaux, Whitney Tribulak, and Kristal Vaughn. Also attending was Renee Myers.

The meeting took place in person at WCA. Mary Beth Roth thanked everyone for their attendance, and Kristal Vaughn opened in prayer.

Administration Report:

TiLisa Durham has asked the PTF for help in recruiting an afterschool coordinator and two additional afterschool staff for WCA. The job descriptions are posted on the church website.

Expansion Report:

- Candace Definis reported that the WCA modular is ready for delivery, pending permitting approval from the county and some preparatory construction.
- Mary Beth Roth reported that administration is still working toward the goal of a police presence on campus.
- Candace also reported that a meeting about the high school expansion took place on Thursday, August 24. The job posting for the new high school principal's position has gone live. Planning for a marketing campaign is underway, along with a new logo. Candace asked for support from the PTF in sharing the word about the expansion. Jay Peters asked for a single image and wording that everyone can share on social media.

Upcoming Events:

- *FALL STEAM & Book Fair (September 11-19)*
 - Mary Beth reminded PTF that STEAM "Under the Sea" Week would take place September 11-15. PTF will help with decorating and set-up, packaging gifts and trading cards for students, and serving a themed snack.
 - Parents are invited to view STEAM projects on Thursday, September 14 at 6:30 pm.
 - Mary Beth also shared that the Scholastic Book Fair would open on Thursday, September 14 and close on Tuesday, September 19. The book fair offerings will be carefully evaluated before display.
 - A sign-up genius for the Book Fair and STEAM volunteer needs has been published in Hawk Talk. A QR code for the sign-up genius is on today's agenda.
 - There was some discussion of alternatives to Scholastic as a book fair vendor.
- *Grandparents Day (September 15)*
 - Mary Beth reported that grandparents are invited to school between 9 am and 11 am. They will view the STEAM projects, stop by the classrooms, and visit the book fair if desired.

- Parents inquired about the possibility of serving refreshments to the grandparents. Administration has decided against refreshments due to space constraints as a result of the larger student body and the STEAM set-up.
- *Fall Open Mic (October 20)*
 - Jennifer Potter announced that the sign-up genius for Open Mic performers will go out before fall break. She also shared some concern about predicting the length of the show. Mary Beth suggested a firm deadline for performers to sign up. Ms. Myers suggested having some “filler” prepared in case of extra time before carpool.
- *Autumn’s Canvas Art Festival (October 20)*
 - Mary Beth reminded the group that the Autumn’s Canvas Art Festival would take place the same evening as the Open Mic. The event will feature crafts, games, dinner, popcorn and cider, and displayed art. A sign-up genius for volunteers will be published soon. Upper school students may also serve as volunteers.

Room Parent Update:

- Mary Beth reported that almost all classes have identified room parents and that the room parent handbook for 2023-24 had been approved. A room parent meeting will take place later in September.

Teacher Appreciation Update:

- The first Teacher Appreciation luncheon will take place in October.

Closing Remarks:

The next PTF meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 3 after morning carpool at school.

The meeting was adjourned.