PTA Public Meeting September 4, 2025 5:30pm, Spring Glen Elementary Library

Agenda

Call to order & welcome

Reports

- 1. Principal's report
- 2. Treasurer's report
- 3. Membership drive
- 4. Teacher breakfast & new family playdates
- 5. Break box project

Business Items

- 1. Officers & volunteers areas of need:
 - a. Spring Glen Play committee members
 - b. Childcare for public meetings
- 2. Upcoming events:
 - a. Open House, 9/11, 5:30pm
 - b. Back-to-School Picnic, 9/18, 5:30pm
 - c. Mums fundraiser, deadline to order 9/26 (tentative)
 - d. Fall Book Fair, Oct 17-Oct 24
- 3. Initiatives for 2025-2026

Principal's report

- 1. New school psychologist
- 2. 354 enrollments

Treasurer's report

- 1. Brendan went over fundraising and how they support the school
- 2. Please provide all receipts for purchases and send to Brendan

Membership report

- 1. Kindergarten play dates were well attended
- 2. Pushing out the membership drive with new forms
- 3. We will have a table a the open house and request for volunteers
- 4. Back to school picnic where we'll have table with face painting and temp tattoos
- 5. You can volunteer as little or as much as you want

- 6. Dues are a suggested donation, paper donation is "pay what you can" and there is a reduced price membership online
- 7. Annual membership, you pay only one time
- 8. If you have a child that is involved with special education there is a separate Hamden-wide PTA called SEPTA

Break Boxes Overview

- 1. Project was done by Evelyn Serfillippi as part of her Girl Scout project
- 2. Has fidget toys, and items to calm down children
- 3. Organized items by grade level
- 4. The project was funded by PTA
- 5. The break boxes have been very helpful for helping kids manage big feelings
- 6. Evelyn gave her thanks for the funding

School Play

- 1. Need a date for the play, possibly May 29/May30 and an in-school June 1st or 2nd
- 2. Possibly in May. Last year was May 30/31
- 3. Helpful to have a parent, Christi will talk to last year's liaison to see if there's any interested parents
- 4. Organized all the parent volunteers, and costuming
- 5. Talk of the possibility of a play committee

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1. Possible date May 16

Open House is Next week on the September 11th at 5:30

Back to School Picnic - September 18 @ 5:30

Mums Fundraiser 1st Fundraiser of the year

Book Fair

- 1. Dates October 17 24
- 2. Conferences 22 & 23
- 3. Scholastic drops off the metal containers that are pre-filled with books/materials. We have in the supply closet signage, and stands. Scholastic provides registers. Happens in the hallway. Teachers send kids in groups throughout the day. No student is excluded. Share the fair allows for low income students to get books.
- 4. End of last year we raised enough money to get every kid a book and it helped the literacy coach to augment their library.
- 5. We do not get any money from the BOGO, but the students do benefit from getting more books
- 6. Ideally 3 adults at a time for volunteering

7. Author's visits would be part of the assemby budget but it is something we could crowd fund for

Open Call for Input

- 1. Question about breakroom and whether that could be improved
- 2. Scholastic wishlist for teachers as part of book fair
- 3. Equipment issues for school play, lights are not accessible
- 4. 6th grade donated wireless mics and a soundboard
- 5. Adult-oriented activities run by the PTA like wine tasting, trivia night
- 6. Silent raffles require lots of paperwork, silent auction ok

Attendees:

Josh Groffman

Allison Dickin

Christi Pidskalany Sargent

Chloe O'Connell-Ngov

Tim Trama

Evelyn Serfillippi

Misha Serfillippi

Andis Arietta

Melissa Whitson

Brendan Woo

Jeff Saerys-Foy

Diana Gallagher

Kevin Flanagan

Bridget Siegert

Susan Dorfman

Sarah Dunn

Adriana Bergstrom