

AGENDA

Centre Ridge Elementary School PTA Meeting

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 | Meeting called by Alicia Richardson

Board members

Alicia Richardson, President | Lyndsey Beasley, Treasurer | Hayley Waters and Tasha Climo, Secretaries |
Melissa Fields, School Representative

Time	Item	Owner
7:00 pm	WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS	A. Richardson
7:05 pm	ESOL	T. Climo
7:10 pm	RECENT HAPPENINGS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Back to School Night• Homecoming Parade – Mascot (Friday, September 29th)• Spirit Wear	A. Richardson
7:15 pm	UPCOMING EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Craft Fair CANCELLED (Saturday, October 21st)• Election Day Bake Sale (Tuesday, November 7th)• Fall Bingo (Friday, November 10th)• Next PTA Meeting (Tuesday, November 14th) FUTURE EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spirit Nights – CHIPOTLE – Wednesday, November 8th• Read-A-Thon (March 4th -8th)• Spring Bingo• Staff Appreciation (May)	A. Richardson
7:25 pm	CLUBS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chess (Tuesday, October 3rd)• Lego (Thursday, October 5th)	M. Tahbaz
7:30 pm	GET INVOLVED <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open Positions – VP and several committee chairs• Volunteer – events, translators• Donations – Monetary, bingo prizes, staff appreciation raffle prizes• Staff Bulletin Board	A. Richardson
7:35 pm	TREASURER’S REPORT	L. Beasley
7:40 pm	PRINCIPAL’S REPORT	J. Hertzberg
7:55 pm	QUESTIONS/SUGGESTIONS	A. Richardson
8:00pm	ADJOURNMENT	A. Richardson

Centre Ridge Elementary School
PTA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Call To Order

The Centre Ridge Elementary School PTA Meeting on Tuesday, October 10 2023, was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Attendees

Board members in attendance: Ms. Alicia Richardson, President, Lyndsey Beasley, Treasurer, Hayley Waters, Secretary.

Guests in attendance: Please see attached.

Welcome and INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Richardson welcomed and introduced the newly appointed PTA Secretaries, Hayley Waters and Tasha Climo to the PTA Board. The service position has a term length of 1 year. In May 2024, all positions will be open to anyone who would like to volunteer.

ESOL

Thursday, October 5th, was the 'Community Coffee event where the ESOL team connected with over 50 parents to support students and families and their understanding of the school, instruction, and assessment. There will be approximately four ESOL events a year to review what to expect over the year and how to support students at home.

Recent Happenings

- Back to School Night
 - The PTA table at back-to-school night brought in additional family memberships and spirit wear sales.
- Homecoming Parade-Mascot (September 29th)
 - A new Ronnie the Ram mascot costume, purchase with PTA funds, has arrived. Dr. Hertzberg, staff members, and school patrols walked in the Centreville High School Homecoming Parade.
- Spirit Wear
 - Spirit wear sales have closed. There are a few orders to finalize before distribution in the coming weeks.

- PTA/ CRES Staff Survey
 - A survey recently went out to staff and teachers regarding how they felt the PTA was serving the needs of the school and staff. Feedback received was that potential parent volunteers were available to come on-site and provide support within the school or classroom. The PTA board is working with the administration to get the survey distributed to parents so they can sign up. The list will be made available to teachers to reach out to volunteers as needed.

Upcoming Events

- Craft Fair: Canceled (October 21st)
 - Due to a lack of available vendors, the October 21st, Craft Fair will be canceled and postponed to Spring 2024, date TBD. Additional information will be released once it's available.
- Election Day Bake Sale: (Tuesday, November 7th)
 - There will be a signup genius distributed to bakers, buyers, and volunteers for the election day bake sale table.
- Fall Bingo: (Friday, November 10th)
 - The annual fall bingo night is Friday, November 10th. Doors open between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. Teachers and staff will be game callers. Snacks and treats will be sold this year, as pizza sales were low last year. A sign-up genius will be distributed to PTA members.
- Next PTA Meeting: (Tuesday, November 14th)
 - The next PTA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14.

Future Events

- Spirit Night: Chipotle (Wednesday, November 8th)
 - Wednesday, November 8, is the first spirit night of the year at Chipotle (Sweetwater, Centreville Shopping Center). Question: Is documentation that patrons are with CRES needed? A follow-up will be given.
- Read- A- Thon (March 4th-8th)
 - The annual read-a-thon is in March 2024. More information will be coming as spring approaches. PTA members are encouraged to support the collection of prizes and items for students and are welcome to suggest new prize ideas this year.

- Staff Appreciation (May 2024)
 - The PTA will be organizing a staff appreciation week for May 2024. PTA members are encouraged to support the collection of any items or donations for staff and teachers, such as gift cards, gift baskets, etc. Specific event details for the week are TBA.

Clubs Update

Chess Club, Lego Club, and Acting Club are currently active and have students participating. Dr. Hertzberg extended appreciation to Maya Tahbaz for her assistance with facilitating the clubs and getting the school connected with the Acting Club organization.

Members of the PTA are encouraged to contact a member of the board with potential club concepts to bring into the school for students.

Get Involved

- Open Positions
 - Vice President and several committee chair positions are actively open. PTA members can inform a board member if they would like to volunteer for one of these positions.
 - Volunteers are always needed at events throughout the year. A translator for families of students who speak English as a second language would be an asset for events as a volunteer position.
 - Donations: monetary, bingo, and staff appreciation raffle prizes. PTA members can support staff and teachers by collecting monetary donations such as gift cards and other funds; toys that will serve as prizes for students at Bingo Night and raffle prizes are also needed and welcome.
 - The PTA will be taking over the bulletin board in the CRES mail room.

Treasurer's Report- Lyndsey Beasley

The October 21st craft fair refunds have been issued via Venmo and PayPal, depending on the vendor's initial form of payment. There is approximately \$16,500 currently in the account and an approximate \$600 profit made from spirit wear sales. Once merchandise has been paid for, the balance will adjust. An audit will need to take place soon. Any PTA member willing to volunteer as an independent party will contact the Treasurer.

Principal's Report- Dr, Hertzberg

- Appreciation was extended to the families that attended back-to-school night.
- Attendance is a concern for FCPS and within CRES, with currently 25% chronic absenteeism.
- Recap of ESOL night with students and staff.
- AVID Colleges readiness update: Dr. Hertzberg and students will be visiting the campus of JMU.
- iPad distribution for 5th grade and all special education classes.
- WIN Time extension & enrichment: instructional practice emphasis.
- All CRES teachers are certified in UFLI.
- AAP content areas include creativity, visual perception, learning strategies and practices, self-regulation, and meta-cognition.
- Kiss n' Ride concern: parents are needed as partners to go through the proper lanes and channels during Kiss n' Ride to ensure the safety of students and families.
- Upcoming State of the Title 1 address- October 25th, 2023.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hayley K. Waters, Secretary