# Walker PTA meeting: Monday, March 11th @ 6:30pm Location: In Person at Walker's Cafeteria

## Principal's Announcements

Teacher Announcements: Khristie Kaplan is PTA teacher liaison

#### **Executive Committee Announcements**

- Math Night: March 21, 6:30-7:30 in the Walker gym. RSVP here:
   https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1\_0aniGr1O1dt2k3EMfE58sEJrR2CWO5COOM7xn4gEpA/viewform?ts=65de50f0&fbc
   lid=IwAR2f90OdTuOQqLfM5fglvB3nntNDXvDuKp9DwG0zjU4uAMG6JaICTffvdrA&edit requested=true
- April Fundraiser, April 1st-19th, goal \$15k, more information to come out at the end of March
- 5Essentials Survey (Open until March 29th): <a href="https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/?target\_name=parent">https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/?target\_name=parent</a>
- Looking for Exec and Committee volunteer positions for the next school year (2024-2025)
- 4th and 5th grade volleyball league at Fleetwood Jourdain during the month of April, sign up here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1SVZO4fWI9spYpg30434FglfwpmGcjmYMj\_udpOOtrmo/formrestricted
- PTA Memberships: \$10 for a single member, \$15 for a family membership (2 adults), \$5 for faculty, No barriers membership is at no cost. Please purchase/sign up on our online store: <a href="https://walker.memberhub.com">https://walker.memberhub.com</a>

## Treasurer Update

- Check Reimbursement Form: <a href="https://forms.gle/5TUUA8DAi36PsaD59">https://forms.gle/5TUUA8DAi36PsaD59</a>
- Monthly update
- Audit Update

## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Update

- Looking for volunteers for March and April heritage months
  - Each month, there are many ways to celebrate cultures, backgrounds, and what make our students unique.
    The PTA decorates bulletin boards near the office and plans events or projects rooted in the monthly
    theme(s). What makes your student unique? How should the PTA continue to celebrate each month? If you
    have ideas or would like to participate, please email us at <a href="mailto:walkerptagroup@gmail.com">walkerptagroup@gmail.com</a>
  - o March: Women's History Month, Disability Awareness Month, National Reading Month
  - April: Earth Month; Black Women's History Month; National Autism Awareness Month; Arab American Heritage Month

### **Fundraising Committee Update**

- Restaurant Day Results: Panino's (made \$300) & Portillo's
- Wolves game results 71 people purchased through the walker link so \$142

#### Book Fair

- Coin Drive Results
- Book Fair Update
- Open Shopping: March 12th & 13th, 3:30-6pm
- Grands Event: March 13th, 10:30am-1pm

#### Climate Action Team

### Community Engagement Committee Update

Bingo Recap

## Garden Committee Update

- We submitted request to Costco for a \$500 gift card donation will hear back by end of March.
- Books and Breakfast would like to build their own raised bed/garden, near Wittenberg class exit. Will use cheaper wood/materials; Susan Sholte's husband will build budget is \$230; the vertical garden was a great start, but challenging to maintain over the summer and into fall (late start to academic year)
- Need to purchase and install shed "stakes" to secure the shed. Estimated \$30

- Teachers will receive veggie seedlings end of April/early May -they should create a plan for planting.
- 4-5 teachers are winter sowing this season.
- We need a new Garden Committee Chair for summer/fall transition.
- April spring cleaning date coming soon (or same day as clean-up)

### PEP Update

- Vote on continuing in One Fund for the next year
- PEP Fest booth idea brainstorming

### Volunteer Needs:

- Book Fair: We still need volunteers for Tuesday and Wednesday: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CABAE29A5FDCE9-48073218-book/56138794#/
- Click here to sign up! (http://bit.ly/3PInlq9)

### **New Business**

- Vote on Teacher Grants
- STUCO Teacher Appreciation Flower Grams

## **Important Dates**

- March 12-13: Book Fair 3:30-6pm
- March 13: GRANDS day at the Book Fair, during student lunch periods
- March 21: Walker Math Night, 6:30-7:30pm
- March 25-29: Spring Break, No School
- April 8: PTA Meeting, 6:30pm in the Walker gym

Adjournment: We hope to see you at next month's meeting on April 8th at 6:30pm in person!