



**ROWAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, SEPT 6, 2023**

1. Call to Order

*14 Current members in attendance
16 observers
Dr. Cummings
Ms. Teleca - teacher representative
Ms. Wax - teacher representative*

2. Reports of Executive Board: Meg Schwanhausser & Kelly Bloom

*a. Welcome back
b. Volunteers needed - a few room parents still needed, check with your teacher
c. PTA membership
d. Approve updated bi-laws: Kelly Bloom
Updates to bi-laws approved*

3. Treasury: Dan Duchene

*a. Report and approve budget
Budget lines reviewed and approved*

4. Reports of Special Committees:

*a. Enrichment: Dana Shirreffs
Work toward some sort of assembly for the school 1x/month
Author of Max & Ruby books - confirmed
Bash the Trash Assembly in the works
Tanglewood Marionettes - confirmed
New England Ballet - working on content and dates
Rowayton Academy
Flyers going home to help with registration
Good registration numbers so far - some classes are sold out, some classes
need 2-5 more kids to run
For parents and kids that want to try RA - some classes this session are being
offered 6 weeks instead of 10 weeks*

b. Wellness: Julie Vincent & Kara Bonitatibus

Will be running Colors of the Month program again focused on movement, food, education and SEL program, book recommendations for classroom and home, partnering with Rowayton Library also

*Birthday celebrations won't include food in the classroom this year. Communication to go out from teachers. The Wellness team has ideas to share that will be distributed by Dr. Cummings and Teachers will share at Open House for alternative celebrations
Looking for volunteers to help with the program - meetings are 3rd Wednesday of every month in the RES Cafeteria*

c. Corporate Sponsorships: Meg Schwanhausser

Meg & Kevin Benitez - ~40 companies locally that we are contacting

If you know a business, let the team know and anyone with ideas should reach out also

d. Merchandise: Gillian Graves & Elena Philips

Sold items at ice cream social and first day of school, new items were well received

Had issues with money reader at the social, but those issues have been resolved

e. Green Team & Composting: Kiki Egli

Composting is back! Will need volunteers for lunch sessions to help kids restart with composting

f. Events: Kimmi Deklyn

Let Kimmi or chair know if you want to volunteer for an event

SquareOne is being done again - art projects will be done in Nov - orders can be placed before the Dec holidays

All events are on the PTA website under the calendar

i. Back to School Open House: 9/14

ii. Parent's Welcome Back Party: 9/20

iii. Picture Day: 9/27

iv. Rock Your School Day: 9/29

v. Walk/Bike to School Day: 10/4

vi. Walk-a-thon: 10/6: Kiki Egli & Nadya Bhattoprolu

Big fundraiser for enrichment

Fundraising will be done through students - info will be sent home

Weekly prizes will be in place for classes that raise the most money

vii. Save The Date Fall Fundraiser: 11/17: Ally Sylvestri & Sam Page

Nov 17 at Shore & Country Club - Alien Theme Silent Disco (can also wear metallic)

Lots of help needed for this event, please contact Ali or Sam for more info or to help

6. Misc

a. Tori Sager, Volunteer Chair - please see her for volunteer opportunities in general

b. Yearbook committee - also looking for volunteers and always looking for pictures, as you attend events, please take pictures and send to rowaytonyearbook@gmail.com

7. Adjournment