

**Merritt Elementary PTA**  
*"Together We Can Build the Future"*

**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 19, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: October 19, 2015 balances

General Checking \$14,343.62

General Savings \$6,965.57

Activity Fund Account: \$5,661.35

D.A.R.E. Account: \$1,509.16

The PTA officers and volunteering members will decorate the Merritt multipurpose room for the upcoming book fair following this meeting.

Janelle Novak gave information about ordering custom spirit wear. The PTA is looking into options to have available at the Merritt School Store. Janelle will put together some designs and present a quote in the near future.

Details are being finalized for our Veteran's Day program November 11<sup>th</sup> at 9a.m. Flags for each student have been ordered. Music is being practiced by the students. Thank you certificates have been prepared for veterans.

Penny Wars will be held the first week in November. Dates are November 2-6, 2015. PTA will take suggestions as to where the monies will be donated. Class with most money earns a pizza party. Class with most pennies earns an ice cream party.

SMILE☺! Picture retake day is October 28<sup>th</sup>.

United against bullying Unity Day is Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>. A flyer will be sent home telling students to wear orange Wednesday. PTA volunteers will be in the front lobby Wednesday morning before school handing out orange string for students to wear.

Students will be given the chance to write positive messages in chalk on the Merritt front sidewalk this week. Teachers will be given an anti-bullying message to read aloud to their students before students write in chalk.



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The PTA's new bulletin board for the front lobby is on order.

A flyer will be sent home each month for students to collect Box Tops. A prize will be awarded to students for each flyer brought back filled. Cut, collect, win!

The PTA will discontinue collecting Labels for Education. A flyer will go home to clarify that the PTA will still collect Box Tops. Last date for collecting Labels for Education is October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Butter Braids fundraiser will run October 9-26. Orders will be available for pickup Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Square 1 Art artwork is due Oct 20<sup>th</sup>. Families will have the chance to order their student's artwork November 5-13<sup>th</sup> for deliver by the holidays.

Janelle Novak is our lucky \$10 gift certificate winner for attending a meeting in October!

Next meeting is at 7p.m. on November 5, 2015 in the MPR at Merritt Elementary.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



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