

Abbey Lane PTA Meeting Minutes

February 24th, 2016

Meeting called to order by Dawn Marmo at 7:08pm, Quorum present. Welcome to all followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. **Presidents Report** – Dawn Marmo
Dawn welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that we have students that will be recognized for their reflections essays. Dawn reminded the members that Honorary life money and form is due by March 1st, Mrs. Boos will be honored this year. Dawn complimented the teachers on how smoothly PARP went and how much the children enjoyed it.
- II. **Recording Secretary-** Approval of Minutes
Minutes from January were presented at the meeting for review. A motion by Jenny DeMeo was made to approve the minutes, Beth Malinouski 2nd the motion. Minutes were approved and will be filed as written
- III. **Treasurers Report-** Tina Bodkin
The Treasurers report was presented and distributed for review. Tina Bodkin went over the books beginning and ending balances, please refer to the report for the exact numbers. The books were reviewed by Stacey Herschmann and were found to be in good order.
- IV. **1st VP Report-** Amy Hoffmann
Amy briefly discussed the Miss Chocolate fundraiser and that the due date is Feb 29th. Amy reminded everyone that nomination letters for next year's board is due no later than February 26th. Last call for tickets was announced and that we need people to help with basket making for the 13th Annual Fundraiser.
- V. **2nd VP Report**
Jen Banfich was not in attendance at the meeting therefore there was no report.
- VI. **3rd VP Report-** Michelle Florio- No Report
- VII. **Corresponding Secretary** Marie Adams
Spring pictures are on March 16th, you must pay in advance for the pictures. Only children that pay for the pictures in advance will be taking pictures. They will not be taking pictures of everyone.

VIII. Special Committees

- PARP/Book Fair- Jennifer Banfich

PARP was a huge success this year. The PTA would like to thank all of the teachers that planned and helped make the Kick off night and all of the activities during the PARP week so successful. Next year we would like a parent group to help plan, facilitate, and work cooperatively with some teachers. The book fair and swap night went well and the children enjoyed purchasing books and swapping books.

- Miss Chocolate Fundraiser- Amy Hoffmann
Miss Chocolate fundraiser is over on Feb 29th and the orders should be in around March 21st.
- Box Tops- Linda Savage
The final count will be reported at the March meeting.
- School Kits- Jenny DeMeo
School Kit supply lists were submitted to the company and the order forms should be in shortly. This year we will have a sample School Kit Box and order forms available at Kindergarten orientation.
- Picture Day- Marie Adams, Jeanine Quigley & JoAnna Georgatos
Picture Day is on March 16th and only the children that pay in advance will be photographed. A vote of confidence was given to sign contract with Class Act for next year's school photos.
- Apparel- Sue Harrington
Orders were submitted and should be arriving soon.
- 13th Annual Fundraiser- Dawn Marmo & Amy Hoffmann
Last call for tickets. We are looking for help in creating and wrapping baskets.
- Reflections- Jen Pirozzi
Jen thanked all the parents and students for coming to the meeting. She made a comment that the stories were great and that they deserved to be recognized. Each child was called up and given a certificate and a \$5.00 gift certificate to Dunkin Donuts. Dr. Shiel said a few words on how proud he was of the children that participated and gave many compliments.
- Family Fun- Greg Bodkin
 - NY Knicks- April 10th
We sold 81 tickets and we had to turn people away because we were sold out.
 - NY Mets- April 29th
Tickets will be \$48 each and will come with a \$24 food credit per ticket. The Flyer will be sent home shortly.
 - Ducks Game – May 29th
Tickets will be \$10 each and there will be a firework show after the game. A flyer will be sent home shortly.

- Yankee Game- Potentially June 12th
It is older timer's day and will include all you can eat and drink until the 5th inning. We are waiting on pricing, a flyer will be sent home when we confirm the date and price.

IX. **Standing Committees**

- Cultural Arts- *Beth DiCaprio*
Lee Knight will be coming to present "Mini Math Music" to the 1st graders and she will be doing an assembly on Dr. Seuss for the Kindergarten. Story Faces is coming on March 30th for all grades. The PARP assembly that was presented on Feb 10th was wonderful it's called "Prismatic Magic-Laser Reader", the children seemed to really enjoy it.
- Membership- *Samantha Stanley*
Samantha is doing another round of a membership drive. It's not too late to join.
- Nominating- *Temp chair- Amy Hoffmann*
The nominating committee will be meeting soon concerning the potential members of the board for the 2016-2017 school year. All nomination letters need to be in by Feb 26th.
- Audit Committee- *Dominick DeMeo*
The half year audit was done on Jan 25th for the months of July 1st-December 31st. Members of the committee were Dominick DeMeo along with Marianne and Pete Ziogiannis. All was found to be in good order!

X. **Liaison Reports**

- Food Service- *Jenny DeMeo*
Jenny went to visit the cafeteria. All was in good order in the kitchen. The kitchen received some new kitchen utensils that was on their wish list. They are requesting a new pretzel warmer that I was told they would receive soon.

XI. **Principals Report**- *Dr. Maurer*

Dr. Maurer thanked the PTA and the teachers for the PARP program. He expressed how happy he was that it was a huge success. Dr. Maurer was asked about the traffic pattern at the school and he said that the police are being called but some people still are not following the rules even though there is police presence.

XII. **Unfinished Business**-

All screens and technology that the PTA purchased has been delivered. The specific items that were delivered is the green screen and stand along with the rear projector screen for movies.

XIII. **New Business**

Dawn made a motion to spend \$1000 on board games for recess in the classrooms. Kathleen Pederick 2nd the motion. The motion passed and PTA will be purchasing the board games.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05pm by Dawn Marmo

Minutes Submitted by: Jenny DeMeo- Recording Secretary

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