

Abbey Lane PTA Minutes

May 15, 2019

- Meeting called to order by Amy Hoffmann at 7:03, quorum present. Welcome to all followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Amy introduced Dr. Dillon to go over the 2019/2020 budget. The budget vote will be on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Please see attached budget sheet. All information is also available on the district website.
- President's Report- Amy Hoffmann
 - Amy welcomed everyone
 - Amy asked for a vote of confidence to book Verdis for next year. 1st Sue Gallina 2nd Beth Lyons
- Approval of minutes- Jeanine Quigley
 - Jeanine asked if everyone had a chance to review the April minutes. She made a motion to approve the minutes. 1st Jess Berju and 2nd Laura Hickey. The minutes were approved and will be filed as written.
 - Jeanine asked to make a motion to destroy the ballots from this year. Dawn Marmo made the motion to destroy the ballots. 1st Jess Berju 2nd Jen Lohmann
- Treasurer's Report- Trinity Galarza
 - Trinity went over the beginning and ending numbers.
 - Trinity asked for a summer budget of \$4,000. Frank made a motion to approve the summer budget. 1st Trinity Galarza 2nd Janette Ruddy
 - Trinity explained that there are still outstanding expenses for things such as the annual fundraiser, 5th grade activities and hospitality.
 - The budget will be filed as is.
- 1st VP- Samantha Stanley
 - Abbey vs. Gardiners- This will take place tomorrow night at 5:30. You can show up at the door if you haven't purchased tickets yet. We are still looking for volunteers to help. If you are available please show up at MacArthur at 4:30.
 - Father's Day Sale- The chairpersons are Sue Gallina and Beth Lyons. The sale will take place on 6/12 and 6/13. Set up will be on June 11th. All help is appreciated.
 - Field Day- Field Day will be on June 6th. The raindate is June 7th. We are currently looking for volunteers. All students should wear their Get A Voice shirts.
- 2nd VP- Beth DiCaprio
 - 5th Grade- Lori Edvabsky reported that the Social will take place on 6/14 from 7-9. The 5th grade picnic will be on 6/10. We are looking for volunteers to set up and chaperone both events. Dawn Marmo will look into getting the pre-order for Salk agenda books. Amy will then distribute the forms to the students. Moving up day will be on 6/24 at 9:30 at Wisdom.
 - Cultural Arts- Jess reported that the circus is here this week and the kids are loving it. The mural on the wall is currently being finished up. We are looking for a Cultural Arts chairperson for next year.
- 3rd VP- Kathleen Pedrick

- Airbrush shirts- The order forms are due ASAP.
- The Wisdom Apparel order form is due on 5/27
- SEPTA- Sue reported that the last meeting will be on Monday at Memorial. She encouraged everyone to participate in SEPTA. We are looking forward to having a guest speaker at Abbey next year.
- Membership- No report
- The Transportation Committee- No Report
- Food Service- Sue Gallina reported that we will be serving egg sandwiches in June. There are also some new potential food choices for next year. These include pizza bagels, turkey corn dogs and French toast. During the budget vote children will have the opportunity to vote on these new food choices. Some concerns were voiced regarding the corn dog. Also, soy milk is currently available to be purchased. If students aren't buying it, it will no longer be an option.
- Health/Safety Awareness- No Report
- Hospitality- No Report
- Corresponding Secretary- Nicole LoPinto
 - We received a thank you note from the Literacy Lab for purchasing poetry.
- Standing Committees-
 - Cultural Arts- See above
 - Membership- See above
 - Delegate report- No Report
 - Nominating Committee- No Report
 - Audit- No Report
- Special Committees-
 - See above
- Delegate Report- See above
- President- Amy thanked everyone for many great years at Abbey Lane. She went on to address and issue that was brought to our attention. She explained that there were mean and hurtful letters sent to our Nominating Committee about one of our parents/volunteers. She reiterated that it was uncalled for and inappropriate. The PTA Nominating Committee is not the proper forum to voice the personal concerns that were laid out in these letters. The PTA does not condone this type of behavior and we hope this will never be an issue in the future.
- Principal's Report-
 - Dr. Maurer began by thanking us for all of the wonderful things that we do for the students. Almost every week we have something exciting and special that is taking place. He wants us to know that our hard work and efforts are appreciated.
 - Variety Show- Once again the Variety Show was amazing. It was a great night!
 - The Circus- The circus is here this week. The kids are ecstatic. This is a wonderful program that is brought in to our school.
 - Dr. Maurer acknowledged the concerns that Amy previously spoke about. He reminded us that we can agree to disagree but there is a way to go about things. When negative things like this occur, it makes our community and our building look bad. All of the good things that we do become overshadowed by the negativity. At the end of the day,

we are all here to do good things for our kids. He thanked all of us for the great work that we do.

- He said we are looking forward to things like Field Day, 5th grade Picnic and the Social.
- He is looking forward to next year and wished us all a great summer.
- Unfinished Business-
 - None
- New Business-
 - None
- Corresponding Secretary- Nicole LoPinto installed the PTA Board for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:48 by Amy Hoffmann
- Minutes written by Jeanine Quigley