Abbey Lane PTA Meeting 3/14/2022

Call to Order: Susanne Gallina calls the meeting to order at 7:11pm

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Janette Ruddy asks if everyone has had a chance to review the minutes from last month's meeting. She asks for a motion to approve the meeting. Lili Conroy and Jenn Lohmann approve the motion. The minutes will be filed as written.

<u>Principal's Report:</u> Dr. Maurer is talking about purchasing a 3D printer, he introduces Mrs. Fellner to discuss the purchase. We have not had sustainability before, and now we do with Mrs. Fellner and Mrs. Sorice. They both have worked with 3D printers previously. The cost of the printer in total would be around \$4,000 with the extended warranty, and all extras that would be needed. The one that Mrs. Fellner has found that what would work best for us is Makrebot. All supplies, programs are easily accessible. They would love to have a club made either before or after school for students to create projects from idea to object.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Amy Hoffmann reports we had an opening balance of \$39,392.43 income of \$484 and 2 expenses of \$3,390.61 leaving a balance of \$36,486.82. Money Market is at \$5,166.80 with interest of \$.40 leaving a balance of \$5,167.20. Erica Kerr found the books to be in good order.

1st VP Report: Jeanine Quigley

Book Fair: Erca Kerr book fair was moved from April to May originally because of supply chain issues. We are now moving from May to June due to scheduling conflicts within the building. The new dates are June 9th and 10th.

Spring Pictures: Beth Lyons Spring Pictures will be May 10th. Those are for the students who want to take spring pictures. They have nice spring backgrounds and props.

Irish Soda Bread Sale: Thank you to Carla and Lauren for our first time chairs. You did an amazing job. Carla was so happy and excited to be a part of the fundraiser. All orders to be picked up 3/17/22 at the main entrance of school.

BJ'S Fundraiser: Jesse Desmond is chairing this fundraiser. We unfortunately are still waiting for BJ"s to get back to us with a new contact. As soon as we have that information we will send out that information.

LI Athletic: Specialty Apparel we are going to run one more specialty apparel sale this year. You will find it on our PTA page. Fill out the link, and it will be sent home with your child. If you're looking for anything specific please let us know. We can see if they have it.

Apparel: sale is still ongoing, please send email to abbeylaneapparel@gmail.com or send in to the PTA mailbox.

Hershey Park: Sale is ongoing all through a Google Form and teachers posted in google classrooms. Tickets are\$45. Tickets are good through 1/23. If you have any questions, read out to Rebecca McCrea.

Fundraiser: Class basket letter went home to class parents. The class basket letter should have been sent home, or should be coming home to parents for donations. The selection of baskets should be posted to the Facebook page this week.

School Kits: We will be offering school kits again this year, and we will be getting them again through MIss Chocolate. We are still trying to figure out all the details. When we have all that figured out we will get that information out.

Air Brush T-Shirts: We will be offering again this year. We are looking for a chair for school kits and T-shirts.

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2nd VP Report: Laura Hickey

Cultural Arts: Erica Kerr up and running presenters coming in for Kindergarten and First graders April 12th and 13th. As far as spring wide events we are in communication with Dr. Maurer.

5th Grade: 5th Grade shirts went home today and a letter with all of the 5th grade events. We are asking all the 5th graders to wear their shirts on Tuesdays for Sweet tooth Tuesdays, starting on 3/22/22.

5th grade Trip: We are looking to do a trip to Old Bethpage Village Restoration, all of our kids can go on this trip together. Then they will have lunch back at the school. Looking at the end of April. District will cover the cost of the trip.

4th graders may also have their trip to Old Bethpage as well. It will all depend on transportation.

3rd VP Report: Beth Lyons

Elementary/secondary Curriculum: Holly Kennedy Moving up ceremonies will be at their traditional locations. Schools are looking into their 5th grade trips. Levittown is turning 75, schools are planning activities. The district is working closely with the planning committee. We are in the middle of Mindful March. Ela/Math academies are up and running. There will be reduced cost enrichment programs due in part to the academies. Some of the elementary activities through scope will run out of Abbey this summer. Camp intervention will run out of middle school. Music programs are happening again. Iready reports ready.

Food Service: Jeanine Quigley we are meeting this coming wednesday. This past month has not been as bad as previous months. If you have any questions please reach out. Everything always looks good. Dr. Maurer mentions that all students back in the cafeteria, K-2 never have eaten fully in the cafeteria. They are working out the kinks. They are still learning their pin numbers etc, lines are longer. Things are getting better.

Health/Safety: Liz Guerrer No Report

Membership: No Change if you are not a paid member, especially for the next meeting it is important, we have a vote. You will not be able to vote for our slate if you are not a member. We are looking to have a commercial on Abbey Action News for PTA.

Septa: Next Meeting is 3/21/22. We are having 2 speakers from Northwell to speak about Demystifying Mental Health. This meeting will be via Zoom. We will be having a district wide fundraiser from 3/21-4/8, which will go towards our scholarships. Elementary school levels will be cookie dough. Middle and High school levels will be other items. All will be digital sales.

Transportation: Not much new, still talking about Stop Arm Cameras, they are still trying to choose a vendor. Reach out to Alyssa if you have any questions

Corresponding Secretary: Erica Kerr No Report

Delegate Report:

Liz Guerrier attended the PTA Council meeting on 3/10/22, there are two open seats on the Board of Ed. They are going to a night to meet the candidates. They are going to have a budget meeting on 5/17/22. Honorary LIfe invitations will be going out shortly. Staff Appreciation is coming up soon, we need help. There is a form in the back for that.

Nominating Committee: Proposed Slate for the upcoming year 2022-2023 School Year President- Susanne Gallina

1st VP- Erica Kerr

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2nd VP- Laura Hickey
3rd VP- Jeanine Quigley
Recording Secretary- Janette Ruddy
Corresponding Secretary- Rebecca McCrea
Treasurer- Amy Hoffmann
Delegates
Samantha Stanley
Lillian Conroy
Jennifer Lohmann
Colleen Degruttola
Carla Chintapalli
Dimitra Vega

As per our bylaws- If you wish to run against anyone on this proposed slate, have your signed letter of request in writing (2) business days prior to our April 12,th meeting. Please send any letter to our chairperson, Liz Guerrier or our Recording Secretary Janette Ruddy.

Audit: No report Principal's Report:

Parp was back and was a huge success. We had variety auditions, and we are looking to have just one show in the afternoon on 5/14/22. Hopefully we can bring back our family math night, our K-2 sports night, as well as our March Madness Basketball. Cultural arts programs back as usual. We are trying to get our field trips back, working on transportation. Kindergarten orientation will be back for the parents, August orientation for the kids. Dial screening will be in June. Moving up ceremony will be in June, and will be limited to 2 parents because of space.

New Business: Holly is putting a DEI committee here at Abbey. Lee Road has one, and is helping to get one started at Abbey. Let Holly know if you are interested in being on the committee.

Are they going to be filming for much longer, they are not taking the safety into consideration. We were told that today is the last day of filming.

Old Business: No

Adjourned: Susanne adjourns meeting at 8:19pm

Notes written by Janette Ruddy