

Abbey Lane PTA 2023-2024

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2023

- Call to Order Time: 7:06pm
- Welcome - Co-Presidents Rebecca McCrea and Jeanine Quigley
 - Introductions
 - Executive board and delegates welcomed everyone, went over what ages and grades our kids are in.
 - Back to School BBQ
 - Date is 9/29, information has been sent.
- Approval of Minutes by recording secretary
 - Sue Gallina and Amy Martinez approved the minutes.
- Treasurers' Report
 - Opening balance of \$19,488.75, income of \$1,316.85, expenses of \$1,530.87
 - Sue Gallina and Amy Martinez approved the budget.
- 1st VP Report
 - Apparel
 - Lilly Conroy is chair, explained Abbey Lane red apparel. There are no returns or exchanges. There may be pets in peoples homes and lead to a potential allergy. This Friday there will be a PTA table out selling apparel.
 - Specialty Apparel
 - Didi Vega discussed what specialty apparel is, and to look out for information coming soon.
 - Gift Wrap
 - Meadow Farms fundraiser ends 10/2. Is something that can be ordered online, and is available now.
 - Picture Day
 - Picture day is 9/28. The chairs for the event put extra forms for the picture orders on the back table.
 - Color-a-thon
 - Flyers are going home 9/15 and there is a hard registration day of 9/28. The date of the event is 10/9, 4:30pm Registration and start time of 5pm. Didi Vega discussed details of the color-a-thon, going over the forms and requirements.
 - Annual Fundraiser
 - Erica Kerr went over the importance of what the annual fundraiser is, why it's important and how it primarily goes towards cultural events in the school. Volunteers of any kind are needed and appreciated.
- 2nd VP Report
 - 5th Grade
 - There was a 5th grade meeting before this, she discussed the "Sneaker Fundraiser" for the fifth grade. Any condition of sneakers is fine, only sneakers not dress shoes.
- 3rd VP Report Amy Hoffmann
 - Discussed the need for representatives for SEPTA, food service, hospitality and transportation. The transportation meetings will always be over zoom.
 - Elementary/Secondary Curriculum - Holly Kennedy is the representative
 - Food Service - Lorretta Rolan is the representative
 - Health/Safety Awareness - representative needed

- SEPTA - representative needed
 - Transportation - representative needed
 - Reflections - Wendy Herman is the representative, more information is to come.
- Fall Festival (Trunk Or Treat)
 - It will be a Trunk or Treat, looking for 40 cars to participate, the PTA will provide allergy friendly for each car.
- Corresponding Secretary Report
 - No report
- Delegate Report
 - Delegate Wendy Herman went to a recent Board of Education meeting. discussed. Parent square 50% have installed app. Lunar New Year was added as a school holiday.
- Special Committees
 - Holly Kennedy Sept 13th BOE meeting
 - Abbey Lane had shrubs removed. The air conditioning project was completed. There were some new security features added. Lanyards for visitors, new fire alarms added, no open windows because of the updated ACs.
- Standing Committees
 - Cultural Arts
 - She has been finding and scheduling new vendors that will come into the building. To include a magician, a Native American program, and Mrs. Grand, the social worker found a program as well.
 - Membership
 - Katie 142 Parents, 47 faculty, there is a raffle for people who signed up this year. Discussed spreading the word, and how the membership fees help pay for events.
 - Audit
 - Didi Vega, discussed the August audit.
- Principals Report
 - Dr. Maur went over the following:
 - Introduced the Parent Square App. There are 625 children representing 47 different countries. Back to School night information was sent home, this is for everyone except for kindergarten. Talked about the importance of participation from parents as volunteers.