



MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, August 28, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM

AGENDA DETAILS

In Attendance

Jacqueline Turner

Anne Witte-Russo

Lara Ordino

Tehani Quintana

Christine Simeonides

Meeting called to order at 6:42pm

1) WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER

- Welcome to the Board Tehani Quintana, Marketing Coordinator.

2) EVENTS COMING UP:

- a) Grandparents Breakfast – Friday, September 8th at 7:30-8:30am
 - We do not have an Event Leader for the breakfast so we will be organizing it ourselves.
 - Will be in contact with Michelle Sugarman to reach out to local restaurants for donations for the breakfast.
 - We are unable to accommodate parents during the Grandparents Breakfast due to fire regulations in the Cafeteria.
 - We have paper products and basic staples. We will be acquiring perishables for the event.
 - Tehani will be advertising the breakfast on all social media platforms soon.
- b) Build a Mascot – Friday, September 22nd at 5:30pm

- Looking at options for Build a Mascot from a new vendor. Outfits will be added to the purchase.
 - Packages will be added to Cheddar Up for pre-purchase. There will be extra packages available on site.
- c) General PTO Meeting – Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30pm
- Will be held in the Media Center.
 - We are putting together a PowerPoint presentation.

3) RECAP OF MEETING JACQUELINE AND LARA HAD WITH THE FOLLOWING GROUPS

- a) Teacher Appreciation – headed by volunteer Jillian Artis.
- Their campaign is called “Stock It Like It’s Hot.” It will be held four times during the school year. Parents are invited to fulfill items on teacher wishlists or drop off items to a donation bin in the Front Office.
 - They will also be organizing the Teacher Appreciation Week, theme will be a Farmers Market. The Board has notified this committee that we do not wish for them to organize a Go Fund Me campaign to fund Teacher Appreciation Week like they did last year.
 - We assigned a budget for stocking the lounge and for Teacher Appreciation Week.
 - We have also requested that the committee go through Michelle Sugarman for corporate sponsorship instead of going on their own so that we as a school do not overwhelm our vendors with repeated requests.
- b) Room Parents Leaders
- We will be hosting a quarterly Classroom Door Contest that will reflect on the current season/holiday. Winners will be chosen from each grade level and their prizes will be a small incentive like a popcorn or popsicle party. They will also receive an award that they can display outside their room. Administration will be the judges for the contest.
 - A meeting will be held on Friday, September 8th with all the classroom parents to talk about their role and how to assist their teachers. They can communicate with their teachers about their expectations.
 - First contest day is Friday, September 22nd.

4) IDEAS FOR NATIONAL ANTI BULLYING MONTH IN OCTOBER

- a) Suggestions for things we can do throughout the month.
- An affirmation wall/mirror
 - Positive music
 - A rock garden – partnering with the Art Teacher. Providing rocks that the students can decorate and display around the school.
 - Decorating the bathroom stalls, hallways, or the cafeteria with positive messages
 - Partnering with the Librarian to create reading lists
 - Buddy Benches
 - Donating books to the library
 - A place holder will be put in place in the budget to acquire rocks and benches.

- We will reach out to Lowe's for corporate sponsorship for the rocks project.

5) PANTHER BUCKS STORE

- Will open the first Friday of September and will be open every two weeks during their playground time.
- We will need volunteers to run the store.
- It is being reported that there are many teachers who are not distributing the Panther Bucks. Reaching out to the principal to provide guidelines so there is consistency throughout the school.

6) NEW BUSINESS

- Christine Simeonides is resigning from the Board effective Friday, September 22nd. We will be advertising for a new Treasurer on all social media platforms.

Meeting ended at 7:27pm

Minutes recorded and submitted by Anne Witte-Russo, Secretary