



Bellmore Elementary PTA Minutes

C.A. Reinhard Early Childhood Center, Winthrop Ave & Shore Rd

Date / Time 11/27/2017 8pm Meeting called to order by Leslie Cerverizzo

In Attendance

Principals, Executive Board PTA Members, Parents & Teachers

Welcome

Co-President, Leslie Cerverizzo, welcomed everyone in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Recording Secretary, Chantal Dembo, informed all in attendance that the monthly minutes would be posted on the Bellmore PTA website, as a way to Go Green. Those who have missed the meeting can always read through to stay up-to-date. The October meeting minutes were approved.

Budget

Treasurer, Dawn Johnstone reported the balance.

Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary, Andrea Redican, reported there was no correspondence.

Principal's Report

Shore Road Principal: Mrs. Matthews

- In honor of Veteran's Day, the students created Dog Tags.
 - Check out the display of Dog Tags
 - Helping our students to understand the sacrifice of our military
 - Mrs. Willis, the librarian, read "Set a White Table" to recognize those that fight for our freedoms
- Food Drive
 - Boy Scouts Donated a good amount of food
- Thank you to Lisa Hoffman who organized the movie, Wonder, it was appreciated by all.
- "Second Step"--working on role playing and working through problems
- The 6th grade Talent Show is Dec 11th
- 6th grade parents: Be sure to make 7th grade course selections, as they need to be done by Dec.

Winthrop Ave Principal: Mrs. Curto

- Theme of the month: Thankful “Attitude is Gratitude”
 - There is a giant turkey on display in the hallway and students get a different color to decorate.
- Fall Garden Club was a huge success
- The Winthrop Ave chorus concert began with “God Bless America”, which was beautiful. Thank you to Mrs. Pisciotta for a successful concert.
- The Principal’s Challenge for PARP concluded with me doing a “CrossFit Challenge”, a series of exercises in under a minute
- Thank you to SAC who organized our Food Drive, we were able to feed several families in our community.
- We are hosting a Toy Drive and Coat Drive at Winthrop Ave “Warm Hearts for Winter”
- Students are participating in a “Gesture of Kindness”, as acts of kindness are hearts filling up our Star. We hope to be filled by February.

C.A. Reinhard Principal: Mrs. Castine

- Principal Read-aloud “Good people”
- We are tracking kindness
- Thank to parents who brought in food for our Food Drive
- We have our 20 Star Polisher Team: It is our Reinhard Leadership team consisting of 20 2nd graders.
- Our Rising Stars went to Yaphank Farm and the Fire Department on their field trips
- Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the Pumpkin Patch a successful day
- Dec 22nd is our Holiday Performance

EVP Reports

Shore Rd- Lisa Hoffman & Jeanne Yandolino

- Jeanne Yandolino
 - We have a date change for our Shore Road Bingo, it is being moved to January 5th.
 - If you would like to donate some baked goods, we would appreciate it.

Winthrop Ave- Maria Galdamez & Sarah Flynn

- Maria Galdamez
 - Winthrop Bingo was very successful-thank you
 - Thank you for the Costume Donations, we were able to increase the amount we donated
 - Our PARP book donations were sent off to Book Fairies- thank you

Reinhard- Anna Russo & Kristen Robertson

- Kristen Robertson
 - Box Top Winners announced- thank you for supporting our schools and PTA.
 - Each box top is 10 cents towards our schools

Committee Reports

Ways & Means- Barbara LaGalia & Jamie Guggenheim

- Holiday boutique - need parent volunteers, especially on Dec 4th

Spring Auction- Brenda Gallo

- Requesting donations

6th Grade Committee-Agnes Kleczek

- Bingo moved to Jan 5th
- Baby Pictures requested for the 6th grade yearbook due Nov 30th
- Anastasia parent tickets are due Dec 15th

Old business

Bellmore PTA Facebook page

New business

BFO Co-Presidents: Mr. Reilly & Mr. Merz

- Social Media involvement and our schools.
 - Expressing concerns about screenshots taken of private messages between teachers/administrators and parents and posting on social media
 - We want to be careful of privacy issues
 - Please spread the word

Jaime Sumersille

- Raising question of flyers being posted on either website or PTA facebook page
- Exec Committee agreed that the PTA website will be updated with flyers for parents to download

Announcements

We are in need of selecting our 2018 Nominating Committee.

- Chantal Dembo explained the process of nominating to the PTA population
 - Announcing that 4 executive board members were voted to be on our Nominating Committee
 - Jeanne Yandolino, Maria Galdamez, Barbara LaGalia and Chantal Dembo
 - We need to vote on 5 more members from our general PTA population. You must be a paid member.
- A vote took place and the remaining members of the Nominating Committee are: Sharon Kapitansky, Jenn Felsberg, Kelly Settani, Jaime Sumersille, and Danielle Grunes

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 9th in the C.A. Reinhard Cafe at 8:00pm

*A motion to close the meeting was seconded by Lisa Hoffman