



Bellmore Elementary PTA Minutes

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

Date / Time 11/15/2021 8pm *Meeting called to order by* Denise Cerrotta

In Attendance

Principals, Executive Board PTA Members, Parents & Teachers

Welcome

Co-President, Denise Cerrotta, welcomed everyone in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes have been posted on the website. Any questions? They are approved.

Budget

Treasurer, Rachel Puleo reported the balance:

Book Balance is \$ 111,144.75

Bank Balance is \$ 111,353.75

Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary, Jamie Braverman:

- We received three pieces of correspondence. The Kindergarten teachers thanked the Bellmore Elementary PTA for the "Welcome Reinhard" water bottles and the pumpkin patch.
- We also received a note from Mr. Reilly's class as a thank you for the pumpkin patch.

Principal's Report

Shore Road Principal: Mrs. Matthews

- Veterans Day celebrations – We honored our armed services, those who currently serve and our veterans.
 - The students listened to *America's White Table*, a book about a family who set up a table for those who served and provided food to show their appreciation.
 - Table display is set up in the lobby to remind students. There is a bulletin of dog tags that represent our student families, staff and faculty who serve in the military.
- Spirit Day was camo day – it was lots of fun!
- Red Ribbon week was last week, which was to help remind the students to keep our mind and bodies healthy. From head to toe.
- Thank you to the Bellmore Elementary PTA for Zumba. The kids had a ball! 99% of the kids were outside dancing – a fun way to keep bodies moving.
- We are having a food drive at Shore Road. There are so many donations – it is so touching. Our goal is to have 15 boxes.
- Reminder – if you have a 6th grader but you couldn't attend meeting, there is a link there on the Central District website. There is section, "Getting ready for middle school," where you can find a video and it describes the course offerings. You can reach out to Mrs. Matthews if you have questions.
- Holiday Boutique is next Tuesday.
- We are going to have a musical theatre club this year. Excited to have this back!
- Our musical program is going strong – Shore Road will have a live music concert on Wednesday, 12/22. All these opportunities to bring families back is exciting.
- Have a wonderful and peaceful Thanksgiving!

Winthrop Ave Principal: Mrs. Curto

- Kids were able to decorate pumpkins as part of Garden Club.

- The kids wore their costumes to school on 10/29 and brought a book. Faculty also dressed up. Fourth grade teachers came as dry erase markers and 3rd grade teachers came as different color M&Ms.
- Mrs. Curto was an Olympic athlete to help close out PARP. She climbed up to the top of the cargo net in the gym – which was done virtually as part of her principal promise.
- The students did a great job and read over 50,000 minutes.
- Student Advisory Council has started – first initiative was to promote the food drive. We made it a competition 3rd grade vs 4th grade. 4th grade won. We collected a lot of canned goods.
- Continuing to learn about leadership and to learn from our mistakes.
- Have a great Thanksgiving!

C.A. Reinhard Principal: Mrs. Castine

- Thank you to everyone who was involved in the pumpkin patch! It was a great success.
- We had a modified book character parade, and the kids a great time parading in the back yard.
- The staff leaders are collecting coats for kids and we wrapped up our food drive. We have never seen so much food in our life! Helped families in the area and other schools in the district.
- Dr Famularo has started to visit classes talking about our leadership skills. Working on our pause button to help the kids and they have been so excited to greet him in the hallway
- Working on a virtual first grade holiday performance. The kids are learning songs. Also, chorus club started on Monday, 11/1 with Ms. Rocco. Kids are happy to be back in auditorium.
- Star constellation is up and photos are being taken. Our goal is 300 kids on the wall.
- Important Dates:
 - Monday 11/22 23 - Holiday boutique
 - Thursday, 11/25 and Friday, 11/26 is Thanksgiving recess.
 - Wednesday, 12/22 – Report cards
 - 12/22-31 is holiday break
- Have a great Thanksgiving!

EVP Reports

Shore Rd- Alison Prainito & Jaime Sumersille

- Jaime Sumersille
 - On Thursday, 10/28 Karen, Zumba for Kids, came to the school. Ms. Desmond had some great moves!
 - Carla Wong – awesome job on the great turkey display on bulletin board.
 - Holiday Boutique is on Tuesday, 11/23 with parent volunteers to be notified later this week.

Winthrop Ave- Nikki Zimberg & Elizabeth Scuccimarri

- Nikki Zimberg
 - Mrs. Curto, we love your challenge! The kids enjoyed it.
 - PARP – thank you Shara Felix for your hard work.
 - Garden Club was a great success – thanks to our volunteers.
 - Holiday Boutique is on Tuesday, 11/23.

Reinhard- Debra LoCascio & Jamie Guggenheim Shiner

- Debra LoCascio
 - Pumpkin Patch – Carla Wong and team knocked it out of the park. Kids had a blast.
 - Character Parade was great since it was missed last year.
 - Holiday Boutique is on Tuesday, 11/22 and Wednesday, 11/23. We are accepting volunteers.
 - PARP is coming after December break. Excited to see how it goes this year.

Committee Reports

Membership-

- Currently, we have 435 memberships.
- You can join online or you can print the form from website, then submit to your student's teacher.

Ways & Means- Michelle Kolberg

- Excited for the holiday boutique – the kids like to go shopping. Items range from \$1-\$10 and no tax.

- Thanks for volunteering! We cannot run the sales without you. We have more slips than slots so please do not be disappointed. Thank you to our principals for letting us bring volunteers into our schools. Masks must be worn in the schools and you must follow all protocols.
 - Reinhard – 5 volunteers per time slot
 - Winthrop – 3 volunteers per time slot
 - Shore – 2 volunteers per time slot

6th Grade Committee - Leslie Cerverizzo & Nicole Oberst

- The 6th grade Q&A went off well. We had a decent turnout. If you missed the meeting, the minutes will be posted by tomorrow.
- Tomorrow your child should be coming home with the cover contest flyer.
- Yearbook baby pictures – turnout is in the 70 range, but we have more kids. Need your support!
- Flyer coming out with the 6th grade grad t-shirt, sweatshirt and drawstring bag.
- Reach out to Leslie or Nicole with questions.

Pie Sale – Jamie Guggenheim

- Made over \$1,500 – thanks to everyone who ordered.
- Pies and breads pick up the day before thanksgiving, Wednesday, 11/24. The pick-up time will be around school dismissal. Faculty and Staff will be delivered to the schools.
- Any questions, don't hesitate to reach to Jamie.

Magnet Sale - Leslie Cerverizzo

- You should have received it if you ordered them. Keep sending in your orders!
- Questions? Contact Leslie.

Spirit Wear- Tara Streeter

- Spirit wear will be here the first week of December.
- Everything is stock!

Old business

- No unfinished business

New business

- No new business

Teachers and Principals left.

- Nominating Committee-
 - Need nine volunteers:
 - Names – Debra LoCascio, Rachel Puleo, Elizabeth Scuccimarri, Nikki Zimberg, Nicole Oberst, Kristin Wong-Valle, Brenda Gallo, Brianna Bachrach and Jamie Braverman.
 - Nikki Zimberg will chair the committee.

Next Meeting **Monday, January 10, 2022** through Zoom at 8pm ET.
A link will be sent out a few days before.