



Bellmore Elementary PTA Minutes

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

Date / Time 11/15/2022 8pm *Meeting called to order by* Jessica Freeman

In Attendance

Principals, Executive Board PTA Members, Parents & Teachers, Co-Presidents: Jessica Freeman & Nikki Zimberg

Welcome

Co-President, Jessica Freeman, welcomed everyone in attendance & thank you for your support. Proper number of members to conduct business.

Approval of Minutes

Jen White: The minutes posted on the website. If you miss a meeting feel free to check them out. No corrections, Minutes approved.

Budget

Treasurer, Kristin Wong-Valle reported the balance at month end 10/31/22.

Book Balance: \$121,076.94

Bank Balance: \$130,745.04

No questions asked. Report filed for Audit

Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary, Jaime Braverman

- Mr. Riley: Thank you to the PTA for the Basket of apples.

Principal's Report

Shore Road Principal: Mrs. Matthews

- PARP Week was HARRY Potter themed and a lot of fun. Lots of activities and had a magician who sent the message that books open up a world of opportunities. Thank you to the PARP Committee.
- Red Ribbon Week: RAT Pack: Making healthy choices for our mind, body, and heart.
 - Sports themes, wear red, pledge to keep healthy.
- 6th Grade: Parent Orientation at Middle Schools
 - Google Form sent out- time to start making choice for classes in 7th Grade- start the conversations.
 - Reach out to teachers or Mrs. Matthews with questions about course selections.
 - World Language Department visited students to showcase languages available.

- 11/28 Virtual presentation for parents of students with an IEP or 504 to help support the transition to Middle School. Students start joining in on IEP meetings in Middle school, some have already started to join in.
- WIG (Wildly Important Goal): to collect 1,000 food pantry items, Start with the end in mind which is to help other families.
- Parent Teacher Conferences: 11/17 Evening 6-8pm
- 11/23 Good Vibes Day
- Wish everyone a wonderful holiday season.

Winthrop Ave Principal: Mrs. Curto

- Amazing visit with NCPD Superheroes. Arrived in a motorcade- so exciting, kids went crazy. Focus in Halloween safety. Students wrote thank you letters.
- PARP Month. Mystery Theme Thank you to the committee and all involved.
 - Ended with BINGO night; teachers and staff guest callers.
 - Principal's challenge: Bat Girl. Ran to all 14 classes in under 3 minutes to deliver a clue. Students worked together to solve with all classes. "WE ARE BELLMORE STARS"
 - Tie between Mrs, Baeza & Mr. Merz.
- Badminton Unit in PE. New unit, students loved it. Badminton tournament during recess.
- Thank you to the garden committee; extended a week, kids really loved it.
- 11/4 had a full school leadership assembly: Student leaders read aloud; winners called and went on stage.
- SAC: Food Drive- Goes to our community; Toy Drive coming up.
- 3rd Graders trips to Safety Town.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Parent Teacher Evening Conferences 11/16
 - 4th Grade Concert 11/23 2:30, also livestream.

C.A. Reinhard Principal: Mrs. Castine

- SAC meeting; about 30-40 students; Coat drive, filed 8 bags; Food Drive, helping 12 families.
- Book Character Parade- Kids had a great time; Ms. Rocco's Debut.
- Video from Syntax from the Pep Rally and Character Parade. Teamwork Song & Cheers. Check out the website.
- PTA arranged for the Bellmore FD to come visit for fire safety, show equipment, walk through the truck.
- Rising Star LEaders- 24 star leaders Paired with SAC members to create a mission statement.
- WIG: 250 Star Leaders on the Board by June
- Upcoming events:
 - 11/24 & 25 Thanksgiving Recess
 - 12/6 & 7 Holiday Boutique
 - 12/22 Report Cards available online
 - 12/23 1st Grade Holiday performance

EVP Reports

Shore Rd- Jackie Taylor & Brianna Bachrach

- Mrs. Matthews covered a lot.
- PARP: amazing, so fun; BB & Trivia
- Cultural Arts: Legacy Project; Lighthouse theme. Zumba 11/29 5th & 6th Grades

- 12/7 Holiday Boutique
- January Chess Club during recess
- Health & Safety Week at the end of January
- 4/27 Maturation Night for 5th Graders.

Winthrop Ave- Tara Streeter & Elizabeth Scuccimarri

- Thank you Bulletin Board Committee always so creative & festive.
- Thank you PARP Committee; Students read over 50,000 minutes!
- Cultural Arts- Zumba was Awesome
- Thank you to all involved with Mystery BINGO; amazing turn out, fun family event. Thank you to the teachers and custodians for your support..

Reinhard- Nicole Oberst & Jamie Guggenheim Shiner

- Mrs. Castine covered most.
- Thank you to Bulletin Board Committee for the fun Bulletin Boards
- Thank you for setting up Fire Safety activities.
- 12/16 Holiday Performance
- PARP is 1st week in January; working on themes & mystery readers will be in person.
- January Chess Club
- Lots of stuff in the works.

Committee Reports

Membership-

- Money funds programs; yoga, chess, garden.
- Join online, send check, or QR code. \$15for family membership, faculty \$10, donations accepted.
- So far 469 members. 521 is the goal, want to surpass previous record membership.
- Don't have to do anything just join, but always ways to help.
- Class parents need to be members.
- Can join at any time. Link on the PTA website.

Ways & Means-

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6th Grade Committee- Carmella & Alison- Kelley gave report

- Yearbook cover contest due 12/20..
- Working on Spirit Wear, look for flyers soon. Thank you to the committee for all your hard work.
- Yearbook look out for flyers
 - Baby pictures- Need every single student
 - Submit pictures from school events
 - Boosters & Well Wishes
- BINGO 1/20/23

School Board Rep- Gina

- Board appreciation night; presented the board with new table cover & PTA donated blankets to the Board.

- Donation to Cohen's Children's Hospital in Board name.
- RN conference at our Schools.
- JCC will hold summer Rec this upcoming summer.
- Next Board meeting 12/20 at 8pm.

Auction- Jessica gave update.

- Plans are in the works
- At Coral House 4/19/2023

Old business

- None

New business

- PTA Nominating Committee
 - Need 9 members total; 4 from Executive Board, 5 from general membership.
 - Will pick 2 people to chair; pick a date, can be virtual or in person.
 - Motion to cast 1 ballot for committee members.
 - Executive Board Members: Brianna Bachrack, Mark Murry, Kristin Wong-Valle, Nicole Oberst.
 - General Membership Members: Alison Prainito, Stephanie Culff, Gina Killian, Gerri Anne Sweikata, & Aliza Schauder

Next Meeting January 9, 2023, in person TBD.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourned.