



Bellmore Elementary PTA Minutes

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

Date / Time 1/9/2023 8pm *Meeting called to order by* Jessica Freeman

In Attendance

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

Welcome

Co-President, Jessica Freeman, welcomed everyone in attendance & thank you for your support. Happy New Year. 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 12/31/22.

Book Balance: \$128,994.72

Bank Balance: \$129,009.72

No questions asked. Report filed for Audit

Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary, Jaime Braverman

- Mrs. Braverman: Thank you to the PTA for the breakfast. Happy holidays and enjoy time with your families.

Principal's Report

Shore Road Principal: Mrs. Matthews

- Happy New Year!
- Thank you to the PTA for the Breakfast; brought faculty and staff together to celebrate the holidays.
- Music Dept was very busy in December
 - Orchestra and band went to JFK; inspire them to continue to play.
 - Choral went to the Bellmore Tree Lighting, all decked out.
 - Choral also traveled to Reinhard to sing Holiday songs and inspire the littles.
 - Thursday b/f break Choral performed for Shore students and Chorale around the school, taking their songs to the halls of Shore Rd.
- The Holiday Boutique was a success. Kids loved to shop and families got to come to help shop.

- Thank you to the PTA for Zumba, the kids loved it.
- Students reflected on goals.
- Yearbook cover design winner was Audrey Chui. So many designs were submitted this year.
- Reminders:
 - 1/13 Club and 6th Grade Whole Class Picture. No make ups.
 - 1/23 Health & Safety Week
 - 1/19 Evening Concert at Grand Ave
 - 2/1 5th Grade Science Fair
 - 2/15 & 2/17 College Olympics
 - 6/22 6th Grade: more details to follow

Winthrop Ave Principal: Mrs. Curto

- Happy New Year
- Thank you to the PTA for the Breakfast. It was nice to enjoy it with the staff in the Winning Star Cafe.
- Amazing 3rd Grade Holiday Concert, over 90 3rd graders!
- Spirit Week was the week before break. Lots of fun. Another is coming soon. TBD.
- Site based team meeting next week.
- Thank you to the Chess Club organizers.
- 3rd Graders video conference with Discovery Center with Scientists. Thank you to Mrs. Falabella for arranging so many virtual field trips and video conferences.
- Reminder for Illnesses:
 - Make sure contacts are up to date.
 - Must be fever free for 24 hours without fever reducer.
 - Don't worry about missing school, work can be made up, focus on getting better.
- SAC: Coat Drive Donations due 1/27- new or gently used.
- Leadership Principle: Think win win. How can it work out for both of you; Student Star Polishers- think win win discussion leaders.; Student action teams- small groups work around the building.
- 3rd Grader Science Fair. Working with Mr. W soon.
- Finalizing plans for Health & Safety Week in Feb.
- Upcoming Events:
 - 1/9 & 1/10 Inview testing
 - Chess Club Mondays
 - 2/9 Science Fair & Valentines Sale
 - 2/20-2/24 School Closed

C.A. Reinhard Principal: Mrs. Curto for Mrs. Castine

- Happy New Year
- Full Celebration Season all December
- 12/16 PTA had a wonderful assembly "Winter Holiday Folk Festival", winter solstice Dance troupe, aligned with SS.
- Enjoyed a visit from Shore Choral. Thank you to Mrs. Matthews for making it happen.
- 1st grade Concert for families was spectacular. Students got an encore performance.
- Leadership principle is "think win win" and the Core Value is "trust", positive solutions, actions that build trust.
- PARP- all January- Reading is Out of This World! ½ game show, WIG 50, 000 minutes to be read in Jan.
 - Mystery Readers starting soon.
 - Thank you for reading extra with your children this month.
- Upcoming events:

- 1/26 PTA PARP Literacy Night
- 1/28 10 am 2nd Grade Concert

EVP Reports

Shore Rd- Jackie Taylor & Brianna Bachrach

- 3 picnic tables with umbrellas donated by the PTA. Should be enough now for a full class to sit outside.
- Thank you for the Holiday Boutique helpers.
- Thank you to the bulletin board committee for amazing boards.
- Chess club starts Friday 1/13 and runs through 2/1.
- Cultural Arts: Legacy Project; Starting in early February.
- Health & Safety Week 1/23- Don't Press Send
- 4/27 Maturation Night for 5th Graders.
- Yoga club coming soon.

Winthrop Ave- Tara Streeter & Elizabeth Scuccimarri

- Happy New Year.
- Thank you Bulletin Board Committee is always so creative & festive.
- Thank you to all who volunteered for the holiday boutique.
- Chess Club on Mondays, great turn out.
- Upcoming events:
 - Journey in American Indians 2/3 & 2/4.
 - Don't Press Send 2/13
 - Circle of Dance
 - Health & Safety Week.
- Donate Coats to SAC Coat Drive.

Reinhard- Nicole Oberst & Jamie Guggenheim Shiner

- Happy New Year
- Thanks for a Fun holiday boutique.
- Thank you to Bulletin Board Committee for the fun Bulletin Boards
- Cultural Arts- Thank you for the Holiday Show.
- Be Fit juggling magic show coming soon.
- PARP is in full swing. Be on the lookout for info on Literacy Night 1/26
- Chess Club for 1st & 2nd Graders, Game Club for K (teach games or help improve on game skills)
- Valentines Day Sale 2/9 & 2/10.

Committee Reports

Membership- Jessica

- Money funds programs; yoga, chess, garden.
- Join online, send a check, or QR code. \$15 for family membership, faculty \$10, donations accepted.
- So far 472 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- Stephanie

- Holiday Fun Foodie Card- 70% comes back to us.
- Yankee Game- sale on until 3/20/23
 - Saturday, May 13th at 1:05 Yankees vs Tampa Bay Rays
 - 3 types of seats, field, main, and terrace.

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

- Yearbook cover contest winner Audrey Chui.
- Spiritwear- Last Chance for Swag! 40 parents purchased.
- Dance theme voted on and the winning theme is Hollywood Night at the Movies.
- Yearbook look out for flyers
 - Boosters & Well Wishes
- BINGO 1/20/23; have enough gift cards. Need nut free snacks and donations for raffles.
 - Parents and siblings welcome

School Board Rep- Gina

- Scott attended, not very many updates.
- Next Board meeting 1/17 at 8pm.

Auction- Leah

- Positions open for volunteers
- Looking for donations, will reach out soon.
- At Coral House 4/19/2023

Old business

- None

New business

- Questions from the Chat
 - What time is BINGO?
 - 5th Grade 6:15-7:15
 - 6th Grade 7:30-8:30
 - When does the Winthrop Coat Drive end?
 - 1/27
 - What is Reinhard Literacy Night?
 - Mrs. Castine does a read aloud, crafts, scavenger hunt, book fair, more info to come.
 - Wraps up PARP month.

Next Meeting Thursday 3/2/2023, 8pm.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourned.