



Bellmore Elementary PTA Minutes

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

Date / Time 4/4/2023 8pm *Meeting called to order by* Jessica Freeman

In Attendance

Principals, Executive Board PTA Members, Parents & Teachers, Co-Presidents: Jessica Freeman, Guest Past President, Leslie Cerverizzo

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 3/31/23.

Book Balance: \$151,552.36

Bank Balance: \$151,627.13

No questions asked. Report filed for Audit

Correspondence

Corresponding Secretary:

- None

Principal's Report

Shore Road Principal: Mrs. Matthews

- Leadership: Seek 1st to understand then to be understood; perspective: how would you feel.
- Transition for 6th Graders:
 - Grand Ave Students came, discussed lockers, food, what happens if you're late to class, even/off hallways.
 - 6th Graders went to Grand to meet with Admin, teachers, & club advisors.
- Planning for 4th Graders:
 - RAT Pack made bookmarks
 - STAR Polishers will give tours,
 - Music will perform for them
- High School ACES: Athletes helping Athletes: discuss opportunities, finding balance between work & play.

- Moana- Outstanding performances. Dr. O: amazing job with scenery, Prep started way back in Oct with behind the scenes.
- Music in our Schools: Rock and Roll Day & Hip Hop were the favorites.
- Thank you to the PTA:
 - Yoga Club: good turn out
 - Book Fair: great opportunity to get books in the students hands.
 - Earth Day Goodies; Environmental Club doing PSA all day.
- Reminders:
 - 4/5 6th Grade Spelling Bee
 - 4/19 & 4/20 ELA
 - 4/21 No school for Students
 - 4/27 Maturation Night

Winthrop Ave Principal: Mrs. Curto

- Thank you to the PTA:
 - Yoga Club, it was wonderful
 - Garden Club for all prepping and planning
 - Planting
- Think about Student placement for next year. Any placement concerns send ASAP.
- 3/20 15 Admins from other schools came to see the Leadership initiative. Starting with the classroom mission statement, kids gave tours, STAR Polishers gave a concert.
- 2nd Graders coming 6/9- STAR Polishers come up with ideas to help them feel welcome.
- Mr. W, science mentor, gave presentations and activities on weather.
- Music in Our Schools: Hip Hop Day was the best!
- WIG- Wide Read- Read outside your comfort zone. BINGO boards with different Genres.
- Leadership Principle: Celebration of Leaders: trust, think win win.
 - End of 2 months: select students get certificates, learn a song & cheer, celebrate each other.
- Upcoming Events:
 - 4/19 & 4/20 ELA 4th Graders it's computer based testing on Chromebooks. 1st Time.
 - 5/11 Plant Sale
 - 5/14 Evening Concert 4TH grade.
 - 5/30 OPen House

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

- March was Music in our Schools: Irish jig, Hip Hop, Rock Star Day, musical movement hands on breaks.
- St Patrick's Day- all the toilets turned green and there were footprints everywhere!
- Thank you to the PTA:
 - Magic Amore: magic show: integrated reading & literacy: check out the videos on web site & twitter.
 - Yoga: was well attended
 - Garden Club starting end of April T/TH
 - Thank you for a great year!
- Earth Day Celebration: 4/20 9:30- K, 10:15- 2nd, 2:15- 1st
- 1st grade Concert for families was spectacular. Students got an encore performance.
- Leadership principle: Core Value: Respect. Pause and stop, think about the other person- would you want to be treated that way?
- Upcoming events:
 - 4/20 Earth Day Celebrations

- 5/11 & 5/12 Plant Sale
- 5/19 2nd Grade Chorus Concert
- 5/24 Pre-K Field Day
- 5/31 K-2nd Field Day

EVP Reports

Shore Rd- Jackie Taylor & Brianna Bachrach

- Matthews covered a lot!
- Thank you to all the parent volunteers, for everything
- 6th Grade Committee is hard at work.
- Plant Sale 5/12
- Lid Battle for Earth Day: plastic lids; winning class gets an ICEE party
- Thank you to Bonnie & Olivia for the Book Fair it was a huge success

Winthrop Ave- No Report

- Mrs. Curto covered everything
- Boys & Girls loved the Book Fair

Reinhard- Jamie Guggenheim Shiner

- Thank you to Ester, Carol for Yoga: it's not easy, there were lots of kids. Thanks to Aliza and all the parent volunteers.
- Garden Club starts 4/25 get volunteer slips in

Committee Reports

Membership- Jessica

- 505 PTA members!

Ways & Means- Stephanie

- Yankee Game- sold 180 tickets
 - Saturday, May 13th at 1:05 Yankees vs Tampa Bay Rays
- Staff Appreciation is 5/8 - 5/12

6th Grade Committee- Carmella & Alison-

- In final phases!
- SuperMario Movie Event: 4/20 Siblings welcome.
- Dance Parent meeting: well attended: Reach out to Alison if you missed it and want to help and chaperone.
- A huge thank you to Marcello Telese's family and Elisa's Restaurant for donating all the food for the dance!
- A huge thank you to Julian Hincapie's family & Melissa Betencourt for donating the balloons, arches, and stands.
- A sign up Genius will be created for families to sign up to bring other treats and refreshments to the dance.

School Board Rep- Gina

- Meeting was 3/2: Principals covered most of what was discussed.
- Curriculum Advisor: put everything online for parents to see.

Auction- Leah

- A great committee; working so hard.
- Actively soliciting: not easy feeling the recession; opening to accepting donations
- At Coral House 4/19/2023 7-11pm, they were holding our deposit; in the big room.
- 4/5 last day to turn in paper for tickets, no tickets for entrance sold at the door. Everyone needs a ticket.

Old business

- Nominating Committee had to reconvene: Executive Board voted on a new position
- Follow up from Laura on Special Person Dance:
 - Pooled other schools: NB, Wantagh, Massapequa, Seaford: they do only lower grades, Boys Bash @ Sports Hub, 2 different nights/themes
 - Sports Hub for \$15/ticket
 - DJ \$400 3hrs 2 Schools, or \$1100 9 Hours (3 Schools)
 - Balloons: prices are sustainable: 2 Friday nights- will come back and refill for \$50.
 - Prices above are for all 3 schools.
 - Separate boys and girls; DJ in the gym, cafeteria step & repeat & refreshments, Friday nights.
 - Shore Rd- Saturday 12-3 or 5-8
 - Concern: What about boys who want to dance or girls who want sports- Response: No complaints from Massapequa about this.

New business

- Question for new auction basket ideas:
 - Front Row tickets to 2nd Grade Moving up and/or 6th Grade Graduation
 - Extra June recess
 - Go to Gaga pit with 4th graders
 - Principal for a day or the morning

PTA Officers Installation Ceremony:

Thank you to all the outgoing Executive Board Members

- Installation
 - Co-Presidents: Nikki Zimberg & Jamie Guggenheim Shiner
 - Shore Rd EVP: Jackie Taylor & Brianna Bachrach
 - Winthrop EVP: Kristin Oakes & Aliza Schauder
 - Reinhard EVP: Nicole Oberst & Carla Wong
 - Recording Secretary: Emily Slutsky
 - Corresponding Secretary: Jessica Freeman
 - Treasurer: Kristin Wong -Valle
 - Immediate Past President: Jessica Freeman

All above stated "I do" to accept the position.

PTA Q&A Meeting is Monday 5/22/23, 8pm.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourned.