## Meadow Drive PTA

# November 12, 2020-Meeting Minutes

In attendance: All committee members and approximately 50+ attendees (please see sign-in list), principal Ortiz.

Call to order- (7:03p.m) Welcome, shared copy of agenda in chat.

President Melodie Kraljev welcomes everyone and thanks everyone for joining. Start with the Pledge of Allegiance. President then begins with mentioning we have to vote on resolutions.

Resolutions were sent to chat box for everyone to look over and review. Members used block voting and voted to support all the resolutions by acclimation. Motion to use block vote for Resolutions is made. David Floccari made a motion. Janna Carbone 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

Membership Report-(Susan Walsh) As of today we have 391 members which means we are at 91% of enrollment. Because we reached over 60% membership by end of October, we received the 2020-2021 early bird membership award badge from the NYS PTA.

## a. Old Business

- -Book Fair: was done virtual this year for 2 weeks, it was a success the school earned \$324.36 in scholastic dollars.
- -Parents "Night In": was a huge success, we raffled a ton of great prizes. Alecia did a great job.
- -Spirit wear: is still going on. A lot of options to choose from. Available all year.
- -Photo Day: was great. Pictures were all taken outdoors and virtual students had the opportunity to come and get their picture taken as well.
- -Venezia's Fall Festival: we were still able to do this event, we had the pumpkin kits delivered, which many parents thought was a great option. Also, Venezia's donated all of their proceeds back to the school (\$1,000.00). Please support this great business if you can.
- -Memory Book Cover Contest: The winner for this year's memory book were for the front cover-Brody Faulkner and the back cover-Gabriela Patron.
- -National PTA School of Excellence: is an award given to select PTA's. Everyone was sent a survey with questions regarding the students social and emotional health and increase parent engagement. Another survey will be sent out at the end of the year to let us know if we have improved.

## b. New Business

- A virtual Native American dance assembly will be held tomorrow 11/13/for all our students
- Idea for a Meadow Drive cookbook with different recipes was brought up. Let us know what you think of this idea and if you are interested in helping out with that.
- Pajama Drive is on 11/30/2020 to 12/4/2020
- Holiday Boutique: is online this year and its running from 11/16/2020 to 11/20/2020
- Reflections deadline has been extended to 11/16/2020. The theme this year us "I matter because."

- Our next PTA meeting is on January 11, 2021
- Chairpersons are still needed for PARP, Book Fairies, Family reading night and Advocacy.
- Principal's Message (Mrs. Ortiz)- Thanks everyone for being here, also speaks on the flexibility all
  the students have been showing during these times. The kids have been inspiring on how they
  have adjusted to everything. Thank you to the PTA for all the great events, Halloween was so
  much fun and thank you to everyone for working together.
- Treasurer's Report (Nicole Barthelemy)- Budget link was sent in the chat. We are doing very well this year so far. We just needed to add a budget of \$1000.00 for health and wellness. David Floccari made a motion. Sofia Palominos 2<sup>nd</sup> it.
- Corresponding Secretary's Report (Megan Romito)- We are trying to go paperless, so we will be sending reminder "blasts" via social media (Facebook, twitter) and through member hub.
- SEPTA Liaison Report (Christine Feit)- Last SEPTA meeting was on 10/19. They had a guest speaker talking about how to deal with anxiety. If you want any information on that please reach out t SEPTA, they are also still currently selling "Mineola Proud" lanyards.
- District Council Delegates Report (David Floccari)- Last district council meeting was on 10/3 they
  discussed membership. Also, one of our district council delegates dropped out if anyone is
  interested in being a part of this and join, please let us know.
- Nominating Committee reviewed PTA resolutions to support retentions 1-10 and support acclimation 11-16. Any questions on resolutions 1 & 2.
- Nomination committee consists of 3 members 2 members not in the executive board. They
  meet and discuss who is the best candidate for positions. They voting takes place in March. 3
  Board members were voted in during an earlier meeting. Janna Carbone and Katie Theilen
  Nominated themselves to join this committee. Alecia Pace made a motion for the nominees.
  Anyis Batista 2<sup>nd</sup> it.
- Presentation by Dr. Maichin, Mrs. Bang and Mrs. Romano on Social and emotional Learning
- Closing Remarks/Meeting adjourned 8:15p.m

# Sign in Sheet

Kathleen Gentile Susan Walsh Catherine Nicholas

Sofia Palominos David Floccari Erin Gonzalez

Cascille Hampton Katherine Bennett Jill Henriksen-Pigott

Alecia Pace Cheryl Sanchez Allison Jean-Bart

Jennifer Maichin Nicole Barthelemy Susan Adell

Andrea Romano Sara Ortiz

Polly Palazo Elisa Reidel

Jerrod Pace Janna Carbone

Vinnie Gentile Gail Santucci

Donna Patron Kathleen Theilan

Megan Romito Catherine Nicholas

Melodie Kraljev Christine Marchand

Eileen Blanco Zachary Smartwood

Kim Glatz Vanessa Morais

Katya Keblish Valerie Pirozzi

Lisa Meany Meryl Dell Italia

Natalia Bang Neil Carbone

Stefanie Amendoeira Arnold Vasquez

Kelly Grodotzke Caroline Sarosy

Anyis Batista Lisa Pullows