

Meadow Drive PTA

April 13, 2021- Meeting Minutes

In Attendance- All committee members, approximately 34 members, Principal Ortiz

Call to Order: 7:04p.m- Welcome Everyone, Pledge of allegiance, agenda and treasurer's report is in the chat box

Presidents' report- We wanted to start with a presentation of all the Reflections participants. They are going to read or explain their submission. The topic this year was I matter because.... The participants are: Jackson Hampton, Wyatt Mae Pace, Brody Faulkner, Ella Faulkner, Ethan Feit, Caroline Piggott, Audrey McHugh, Shea McHugh, Anabella Moronta, Gabriella Patron & Drew Thelian who also advanced to state level.

Leg-Con (legislation conference) is done national, state and regional (Nassau county) these webinars are relevant to many ongoing things and we are going to be adding these webinar links to the family resources page and advocacy page on the website.

Preparing for next year-planning phase over the summer. Please let us know if you are interested so we can finalize events for the calendar.

Membership Report- Sue Walsh- We reached our membership goal. We currently have 347 members. The only award left for us to accomplish is the Male engagement award which we submitted for and are waiting to find out about.

Past Events

- a. PARP- we were able to combine in person and virtual students in this event. Great turnout.
- b. Book Fairies- Myriam did a fantastic job on this event
- c. Family reading night- 91 families joined. Fun event
- d. Square 1 art- everyone should have received everything they ordered.
- e. Photo day- different company, over 100 background options. Links for those photos should be sent home soon
- f. Plant sale- we received all the orders and are adding everything up and finalizing all orders. We will determine a date for pick up. Pick ups will be at Jackson Avenue School. Also, every child will be able to pick a plant to bring home. If anyone is free to volunteer on the day, we distribute the flowers please let us know.

Future Events

- a. Cookbook- recipes were due on 4/12. We are currently collecting and assembling the cookbooks. Hope to have this done by mid-May.
- b. Healthy Hydration- we will kick the celebration event on 4/26 mor details and information will be sent home
- c. PTA Awards- submit google form with nominations. Deadline is 4/30

- d. Teacher/staff appreciation week- 5/3-5/7- We have some great ideas planned; we are definitely involving the virtual students. Looking to raffle off some prizes throughout the week. Please be on the look out for more information on that.
- e. Walk or Roll to School- will be on Friday 5/21 rain date of 5/26. Look out for survey to help with this event. We also have a virtual assembly from AAA as part of this event. Hope to expand this event to more schools in the upcoming years.
- f. Memory book- deadline to submit photos is 4/15 orders for books are due on 4/30
- g. Health and Wellness committee- last video will be sent out next week

Treasurer's Report-Nicole- we have added a \$100 budget for Earth day. Teacher wants to get some plants so the students can plant at the school. Make a Motion for this David Floccari approves. Alecia Pace 2nd's it.

Audit- we need to do an annual budget audit if you are available to help out with this please let us know it doesn't take too long just to make sure everything is in order.

SEPTA Report- joined family reading night with Meadow and a Movie night with the middle school. Looking to do more scholarships. Next meeting is on 4/19 and they will have a guest speaker.

District Council Report- next meeting is on 5/4, new officers will be voted in.

Principal's Report

- start with the situation that happened last Thursday. We want to let everyone know we followed protocol. Very proud of how the staff handled the entire situation. We feel very secure and the main concern was the safety of our school.

- Earth day celebration we will bring back the gosechase app and have a scavenger hunt in school. Also, the bike rack s back up and it located right by the gym entrance.

- we will be having a The Megan's law assembly in May

-Update on the CDC/Dept of Health new guidelines for social distancing say we can go from 6ft apart to just 3ft apart but we will continue with maintaining distance of 6ft apart when possible.

Healthy Hydration- as part of the grant every student will be receiving a book. And each student will bring home a "bumper sticker" that they can decorate with why its important to keep healthy and hydrated and we will display those on the bulletin board.

Teachers Report- Thank you to the PTA. We Look forward to hosting the Dual Language parents "ED Camp" more information will be sent out on this event.

Meeting Adjourned-8:18p.m

Sign- In Sheet

Elisa Reidel	Francesca Walker
Eamon McHugh	Christina Castello
Katie Thelian	Michelle Goodrich
Eileen Blanco	Barbara Maria Dower
Kathleen Gentile	Vinnie Gentile
Casey Collins	Erin Simco
Payal Patel	Erin Gonzalez
Mark Zelko	Jeanne Fischer
Katheine Bennett	Sue Walsh
Ray Wideman	Cheryl Sanchez
Andrea Romano	Teri Wolfe
Melodie Kraljev	Anyis Batista
Caitlin Moronta	Lisa Pullows
Lauren DeMasters	Sofia Palominos
Janna Carbone	Neil Carbone
Teresa Smallwood	Megan Romito
Lisa Meany	Vanessa Jeremenko
Nicole Barthelemy	Alecia Pace