

# Camp Avenue PTA Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2022

Zoom – 7:30 pm

Previous Minutes were approved by Andrea and Angela

## Superintendent Report (Dr. Seniuk)

- Excited to be back to traditions and normalcy
- Meet, Greet and Treat – went very well and everyone was happy and smiles ready for the first day
- Sept 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting
  - Building Emergency Plans approved
- Welcome Back Picnic
- PTA district Council meeting (few weeks ago)
  - Sharing Out (great vendors, assemblies to bring in this year, shortcuts to)
  - Adventureland and Long Island Ducks collaborative fundraiser
- Insurance requirements are higher this year.
- Upcoming events -
  - Next PTA District Meeting – Oct 11
  - Trunk or Treat – Oct 21
  - Parent University – Oct 25 – indoors
  - Parent University – May 21 – outdoors
- Parents Square – new communication platform
  - Contact Ms Simms in main office if you cannot access it
- Library Program
  - Supporting classroom instruction and research
  - Conducting in-depth research projects

## Ms Jaclyn Guidice

- Visited Camp Ave students and gave out certificates who completed the North Merrick Library activity
- 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are studying marine science
  - Oct 6 for the field trip to get hands on learning with marine life
- Instagram and Twitter page will show weekly updates as she travels through the district (See Dr. Bromberg's weekly wrap up from last week for links)

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Treasurer Report (Vanessa Lin)

- August 1, 2022 Balance \$49,030.05

- Deposit of \$20 being deposited
- Pending Debits of \$0

#### **Budget (Vanessa Lin)**

- Projected Budget – review column L
  - Some proposed budgets were adjusted due to insurance increase, anticipated costs or based on expense history
  - Total program = \$44,700
  - Total spending = \$47,700
- Fundraising
  - Total projected amount raised \$20,000
- Motion to approve the budget
  - All in favor and budget is approved

#### **BOE Meeting Report (Angela Dimos)**

- Chromebooks – updated apps
- There was some kind words spoken about Camp Ave PTA
- Fiscal distress list
  - Tax funds did not come in on time - there was a motion (passed to 6 to 1) that needed to reallocate some funds for temporary use – we are getting federal funds and should be even by spring
- High School Report - Mr Corona
  - Regents showed a slight decline (same across state), higher among long island
  - AP participation way above average
  - Great results about the number of students going to 2 year college, 4 year college and some
- Picture day is Friday
- More activities coming soon
  - Tennis and jump bunch
- Buildings and grounds – busy making repairs. They also went to a seminar
- Chromebooks make the backpacks heavy

#### **Principal Report (Dr. Bromberg)**

- Welcome Back
- Meet the Teacher Night
  - Mindfulness walk to PE Hallway
  - Risers add that pop of color with math practice
- Lunch
  - Snacks are back. They are buying for their friends. Monitor your school bucks. You can turn off all snack options or purchase snacks via cash only if you prefer.
- Weekly Wrap Up on Fridays – shows what happened previous week and what's coming up
- Wild Coyote – at the end of each month.

- Early Dismissal – Oct 4 kindergarten at 2:30 1-6 at 2:35
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade trip on October 6 to Jones Beach for Marine studies
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade science squad is going on the trip and trained on how to maintain the tanks
- Code of conduct for recess rules from the PE teachers
  - 1 aide per class
  - Most of the rules are due to monitoring limitations for sports

#### **Fundraising Report (Andrea Catalano)**

- School Supply kits (roughly \$925)
  - \$200-215 for the personalization names
  - Next year will delivered to house
- Ducks Game raised \$903
- Adventureland – on October 29 --- discount available until October 7. tickets will be available night of but price will go up to \$45
  - Will distribute the bracelets to those who purchase by October 7
- Spirit wear - will be distributed at the end of October
  - Another sale in the spring
- Mama's Cookies will be available for Halloween
- Miss Chocolate – flyers coming soon
- Google form for volunteer
  - Vendor sale
  - Paint day
  - Drama club
  - Tennis club
  - Color war district wide
  - Color run
  - Parents night out at newbridge inn
  - Outdoor movie night

#### **Cultural Arts (Liz Schmer)**

- Red Ribbon Week – Oct 24 - 28 (what are good choices, feeling good about yourself, no bullying)
  - Fuel the soul (yoga, breathing experiences, mediation) on Oct 26
- TeePee Ted – hopefully November 15 for 1<sup>st</sup> grade

#### **Faculty Report (Tracy Sforza, Melissa Chan and Tara Sumberac)**

- See attached

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **SEPTA Report (Christina)**

- No Update

#### **Membership Update (Kirsten Miolan)**

- 259 members

- PTA flyer on facebook, website, parent square app

#### **Kindergarten/New Parent Meet & Greet (Dana Hodermarsky)**

- Meet a lot of new faces of people who moved into the neighborhood

#### **Staff Luncheon (Julie Hain)**

- Catered by Montana Brothers for our teachers and staff the day before school started

#### **Welcome Back Picnic (Julie Hain)**

- 600 RSVPs
- Cups with Camp Ave logo with popcorn, DJ, cotton candy, italian ices, Pizza, Raffles, 50/50
- Raised about \$700

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Picture Day (Julie Hain)**

- Coming up this Friday
- Retakes on November 18
- Graduation pictures (cap and gowns and grade picture on November 18)

#### **Book Fair (Kristen Murphy)**

- October 13 at 6 -7:30

#### **Class Parents (Jackie Weber)**

- Talk to the teachers about
- Please send out

#### **Spirit Wear Sale**

- Closes Tonight

#### **Fall Festival (Janine Lombardo)**

- Coming up this Friday
- Request a \$500 increase in the budget (pumpkins, bandanas, tote bags)
  - All in favor of the increase and approved \$500

#### **Walk to School Day**

- October 12

#### **Deana Folchetti-Puglin**

- Join SEPTA and incorporates all North Merrick schools
- Registration information was sent on Parent Square on Sept 12

#### **Pre-K**

- Will participate in some things like the Halloween parade but not a part of fall festivals
- Picture day the same day
- We can send flyers to the PRE-k parents (19 students to that class)

#### **Amazing Athletes**

- 25 students only – sign up on a google form if interested and a lottery drawing

**Next Meeting is October 18**