

JOHN E. BURKE SCHOOL PTO MEETING MINUTES

August 16, 2021

Meeting called to order @ 6:06pm

Attendees: Marissa Fast, Colleen Morelli, Charmaine Catania. Robyn Skerry, Meghan Sencabaugh, Maria Torres, Nikki Kachinski, Jessie Roberge, Alana Pietrosanto, Krista Doughty, Bonnie Chenette, Lacey Becotte

I. Welcome and introductions

II. Principal's Report

- a. Equipment back in rooms
- b. Staffing updates:
 - i. New guidance counselor
 - ii. New special educators
 - iii. Mrs. Mancini starting year on maternity leave —Mrs. Vaz will be the long-term substitute
 - iv. Transitioning to co-taught classrooms (with two homeroom teachers per classroom) to include students from Pathways and language-based programs. This will:
 1. Free up interventionists
 2. Allow for much more wraparound support throughout day for kids transitioning back

III. Budget

- a. Approval for this year's budget
 - i. First: Nikki Kachinski
 - ii. Second: Maria Torres

IV. Events and key dates

- a. August 18 - K meetup with popsicles
- b. August - Welcome back lunch for teachers
- c. August 29, 5PM - Chalk the Walk
- d. September 14 - Voting at the school
 - i. Need volunteers
- e. September 17 - Back to School Bash
 - i. Obstacles, dunk, concessions
 - ii. Need someone to take the lead
- f. September 20 - Choose room parents at meeting
- g. October 18 - Raffle baskets due
 - i. One per grade
- h. Late October – Readathon

- i. Need 2-week lead time
- i. Late October - Book Fair
- j. Late October - Boo event
 - i. Possibly an outdoor movie
- k. November - Holiday Shop
 - i. Hanukkah is so early this year that we need a Nov. date
 - ii. Might get a discount for doing the shop in Nov.
- l. March - Boosterthon
- m. Spring - Sweetheart dance
 - i. Hold outside
- n. Spring - Slam n Jam
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- o. June 10 (Rain date June 13) - Field Day
- p. First Friday of the month - School store
- q. Third Friday of the month - Spirit sticks
- r. December – Wreaths
 - i. Marissa messaged Angela to ask about process
- s. January - Prince Pizza for Super Bowl

V. Open positions

- a. Back to School Bash - Executive Board to run
- b. Spirit wear
- c. Wreaths
- d. PAB
 - i. Ask Paula Crosby if she'll do this again
- e. Boosterthon
 - i. Ask Erin Dunwell if she'll do this again
- f. Tiger Tales - eliminate

VI. Other

- a. Colleen working on back to school packet - with information on box tops, smile, etc.
- b. The school needs 3 more Promethean boards - \$4,000 per board
- c. School supplies needed this year:
 - i. Earbuds
 - ii. Wipes
 - iii. Glue sticks
 - iv. Crayons

Meeting adjourned