

Floral Park Bellerose School March PTA Meeting Minutes

Attendees in person- 8 Attendees via Zoom-5

Meeting began at 7:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance

PTA President recap- Susan St. Joy Kindness Cart-Great success Holiday Fair raised \$6,800 Family Bingo Night- sold 120 Tickets Readathon- \$15,000 (estimated)

Book and Bottle Event with Tessa Bailey, live music and wonderful sponsors- thanks to Victoria McLean, Karen Hughes, Theresa King and Celia O'Connell

Assemblies- Author Visit and Jared Campbell-great success

March Math Madness (Math Family Night)- coordinators Eileen, did a fantastic job. Thank you to the teachers and high school volunteers. Thank you the families that donated bake goods for the bake sale \$117 was raised

PARP- Shana planned the event. Kids were able to win prizes and go to the Book Vending Machine

Treasurer's report- Kate Trainor

Back to School- canceled due to the weather-Olympic day and will be Mets tickets to be distributed after Easter Break May 17th sign up genius for staff appreciation day 6th Grade events will be starting soon,

Principals report-Mr. DeKams

Readathon, and PARP- Thanks to PTA and Parent volunteers

Author Sam Wedelich- author and illustrator, shared her journey. Wanted to be a doctor but changed her career path. Stressed to students, not to be afraid of using imagination, super power of being bored to tap into creativity. Received great feedback from staff



Principal's report, continued

Baseball Day March 12th- one month out from Met's Family Night. Based on own experience, the warning track salute is a fun event

NY Islanders- floor hockey unit, PE unit provided to Ms Martin and Mr. Thomas. the 21st will come for an assembly.

Updates for spring-

Class placement letter will go out on April 8th parent feedback taken into consideration, but cannot be guaranteed

Operation Safe Child March 15th, Officer Murphy will be back on 22nd and 27th Drama club Little Mermaid Evening performances on 4th and 5th. In school performance for students on April 3rd

April 10th NO School

Spring recesses- March 28th-April 1 and April 22-April 30th

Vice Principal Report Mrs. Stegmeier

NYS testing, right after first break. ELA on April 8th and 9th. Make up dates 11th and 12th Math Exam 15th 16th, Make up dates17th 18th Tests are for grades 3-6 NY State Science exam is back, Did not have last year. In previous years, it was given in 4th grade. This year the test will be given to 5th Graders, The written test will be given on May 6th, make up date is May 7th. School did a mock test back in January to ensure system is ready to go. The kids are ready for it.

PTA updates-Susan St. Joy

Laser bounce postponed-bring it back in October

School of Excellence- Surveys will be sent out end of March through class parents, on Friday Footnotes and social media. PTA will have two share outs- one on April 15th and another before May 1st for 2nd shakeout via zoom.

CCMC-Behavioral Health- Cohen's Children's hospital will provide a virtual talk for parents- given by directors of behavioral health at Cohens. Will give parents information on what concerns to look out for in their children. Programs at Cohens are provided to children starting 6 years of age and through HS (they have a program with Sewanhaka High School for linkage to care).

No Tech Tuesday- April 2nd-Party Art package \$15; April 16th-Nature Walk; May- Card Games, a deck of cards will be sent home, one deck per family; June-Pizza dinner



PTA Updates, continued

Looking ahead- Plant sale until 4/5

Mets Family night 4/12- Warning track salute- come early and prepare kids for a long wait. one hour before game. it is not guaranteed that everyone will make it onto the field.

Founders Day Recognition

Video was played (can be found on posted Powerpoint)

Rosalie was presented with the PTA Lifetime Achievement Award for her contributions to the school. Well deserved. Congratulations to Rosalie!

Meeting Concluded at 7:40pm.

Thank you to Casa Margaritas for catering food for the meeting.