

Smithtown Elementary PTA Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Executive Board:

President: Robin Matejka
1st Vice President: Desiree Zgoda
2nd Vice President: Sue Bosinius
Treasurer: Carolyn Prego
Recording Secretary: Sharon Gribbin
Corresponding Secretary: Gina Kandrach
Council Delegate: Kim Pernice

Agenda:

- Pledge
- Welcome- Robin Matejka
- Voting on revised PTA By-laws
- Treasurer's Report – Carolyn Prego - \$25,700 in bank; revenue - Plant sale \$3300 profit; expenses - graduation and Arts and Ed bill coming up.
- Principal's Report - Mrs. Lavery
 - A huge thank you to PTA volunteers.
 - HS students come to participate in HS Heroes to teach lessons in classrooms.
 - Math Olympiad Teams - 4th and 5th grade participated (We were the only 4th graders who participated in the district, and they took 4th place in Suffolk County.)
 - Mother's Day Tea - Kindergarten (Photos on Facebook page)
 - Police Appreciation Week - Many parent volunteers / State Trooper had a truck on the playground to explore.
 - Field Day - Thank you to parent volunteers! / Teachers were racing. / Ices for kids!
 - Performances - 1st graders - Once Upon a Lily Pad
 - 5th grade Bronx Zoo trip was great!
 - 4th and 5th grade concerts
 - Love on a Leash came to the school again.
 - Robotics demo - HS students came into the school.
 - RIF - Thank you so much for the books from the PTA.
 - Kindergarten - Barnyard Moosical - Absolutely adorable!
 - Kindergarten screening / Orientation and bus ride were yesterday.
 - Teachers for next year:
 - Rise A - Davison

- Rise B - Patrissi
 - Rise C - Garbulewski
 - Kindergarten - Cusati, Cullen, O'Hara, LOA
 - 1st - O'Connor (Doig), Krause, McKee, Saavedra
 - 2nd - Delaney, Picini, Rosella, ICT Co-taught - Cortes and Sicardi
 - 2nd special class - Pietzak
 - 3rd - Brierton, Walsh, LOA, ICT Co-taught - Solomon and Farrell
 - 3rd special class - Clifford
 - 4th - Bombolevicz, Parendo, Pitrelli, Hostetter (from Great Hollow)
 - 5th - Frankel, Kiriewsky, Whalen (Healy)
 - Mrs. DiLello is retiring in October.
- Coming up -
 - 3rd grade picnic
 - end of year parties in classes
 - Flag Day Ceremony - June 14th - Wear red, white and blue!
 - Love on a Leash coming again in June.
 - HS West Seniors are coming for a graduation walk soon.
 - 5th grade picnic and yearbook signing - June 20th - Only class moms are being asked to help.
 - Moving Up - June 21st - 10 am
- **Teacher's Report - Mrs. Bernhardt**
 - **Kindergarten** - They are finishing a farm animal unit that concluded with the amazing "Barnyard Moosical." Thank you to the parents for the costumes. They are completing an Inside Our Bodies unit in PLTW. They are working on their Kindergarten Memories book. Thank you for ice pops on Friday and RIF books.
 - **1st grade** - They are working on the end of the year writing memory (first grade memories, second grade expectations, summer). In math, they are working with 2d and 3d shapes. In foundations, they are working on suffixes (-s, -ed, -ing). They loved the STAR Lab, the book fair, and the plant sale.
 - **2nd grade** - They are working on repeated addition in preparation for multiplication. They are writing about butterflies and sunflower life cycles, second grade memories, and opinion writing. In Foundations, they are working on fluency and comprehension practice. There are fun end of the year read-a-louds. In PLTW they are working on form and function (plants, seed dispersal).
 - **3rd grade** - June 8th - Author's Celebration. Thank you to all of the families coming to celebrate the young authors. They will be reading *Peter Pan*. In math, they are completing Module 6 (geometry, measurement and

data). They are learning about the Amazon Rainforest. Information will be sent home about the last week of school and celebrations.

- **4th grade** - They have been working diligently on their published books, and the students have written beautiful poetry in their anthologies. They are progressing through concepts of geometry and will move to decimals. Students have made great strides on ST-Math. They are learning about living organisms in science as they explore different characteristics of various plants and animals. They have enjoyed learning about how authors write and illustrate graphic novels from Smithtown graduate and renowned author, George O'Connor. They also enjoyed a virtual visit with Chris Ravenstein, the author of *Lemoncello's Library* and *Shine*. Students also learned about seeds and plants through the Long Island Science Center, and they learned about the Food Web in a program with John Shiels and Western Suffolk BOCES. They were excited for the show Prismatics on field day and loved the Frankel Sisters performance. They want to thank the PTA for their sponsored events and programs.
- **5th grade** - In math, they just wrapped up a geometry unit, and have started the module on coordinates. In ELA, they are finishing reading *Restart*. In PLTW, students have been working with the HS robotics team where they have been learning more about coding. They have also been studying properties of matter. In SS, they are finishing their government unit.
- **RISE** - In ELA, they are working on a unit on animals and animal babies. They had a fantastic time at Bowlero!

President's Report

- **Committee Chairs Needed** - Please let me know if you are interested. (Class Pictures, PARP, Trunk or Treat, Holiday Fundraiser, Fun Run, Membership)
- **Spirit Wear** – New Shirts and Samples / Gibits coming for Crocs (Smithtown Bull)
- **Budget Vote** - Tuesday, May 16th- budget passed
- **National PTA** - There is a proposal to increase our PTA dues which would then impact our costs to membership. We would have to raise our dues from \$12 to \$14.
- **Mother's Day/ Spring Plant Sale** - Raised over \$3,000
- **RIF** - June 1st- All students received a **FREE book from the PTA!**
- **Field Day** - It was a great success. Thank you to all the parent volunteers!
- **Mickey's Fundraiser** - Raised \$250. Thank you to all our teacher scoopers!

Still to come:

- **No School** - Monday, June 19th
- **1/2 Day** Wednesday, June 21st and Thursday, June 22nd
- **Ralph's Ices Fundraiser**- Thursday, June 22nd - Join us in Welcoming in Summer and the LAST Day of School!

Committee Reports:

- **Council Delegate**- Kim Pernice
- **Green Team**- Sharon Gribbin - Sports Equipment Exchange on June 15 at NYA School. Drop off used equipment June 7-9 and 12-14 from 8-4. Then "shop" on June 15.
- **Arts in Education**- Diana Barnes/ Nikki Ziolkowski
- **Spirit wear**- NEW shirts available to order. No shipping fee, made to order
- **School Supplies**- Sharon Gribbin - 1st Day School Supplies - Order by July 1st for next school year.
- **SITE Based Team**- Robin Matejka - We are looking into walker dismissal procedures for next year. We will work with the new principal to devise a plan.
- **SEPTA** - Meredith McMillen - They will be holding a fundraiser on June 8th at Ralph's Ices.

Initiation/ swearing in of New Officers: J. Lavery

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AWARDS- Final words

BOE Meeting - June 13th

Have a Wonderful Summer