

Smithtown Elementary PTA Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, March 14th , 2023

Executive Board:

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

- Pledge
- Welcome- Robin Matejka
- **Treasurer's Report – Carolyn Prego**
 - February - \$24,134 - just about even from last month, net minus \$129.18. Sports Night in March report - We did really well with spiritwear and 50/50.
- **Principal's Report- Mrs. Lavery**
 - Thank you for painting and cleaning up the Faculty Room.
 - Love on a Leash - by the end of the year all classes will have had at least one visit. (Less dogs coming in, though.)
 - Colonial Day - 4th grade - Students dressed up and interviewed families for jobs.
 - Sports Night - So many volunteers and so much joy!
 - PARP Week - This week thanks to Arts in Ed. PR Jaimie Stewart came in to take pictures.
 - Recently had Parent / Teacher Conferences
 - Barnes and Noble sheet went out with teacher volunteers. So many teachers wanted to sign up to read that night.
 - Custodial and Security Staff Appreciation Day - March 17th
 - 5th grade play is March 23rd with the cast party the day before the show.
 - No School - April 3-10th
 - Process is underway for a new principal - Level 1 interviews are beginning this week. There will be a time of transition and time for the new principal to meet the community.
- **Teacher's Report - Ms. Boccio**
 - **Kindergarten** - They are learning about seasons and weather in science. In PLTW, they are learning about forces - push and pulls. In math they are working on number bonds. They are doing St. Patrick's day activities and having a stem center party on Friday. The June Jamboree is on June

2nd (more to come) -All classes will sing songs, have awards in classes, and projects and writing will be shared.

- **1st** - They are reading about space and using inference skills. In math, they are ordering and comparing lengths of objects. In Foundations, they are learning vowel teams. In PLTW, they are learning about animals and adaptations, environments and habitats. In social studies, they are learning about communities. There is a possible play for the end of the year show.
- **2nd** -In science, they are learning about the solar system. In Foundations, they are learning about vowel teams. In math, they are working on module 4, adding and subtracting to 1000.
- **3rd** - In math, they are learning about polygons and area. They are also learning about animal adaptations and working on their published books. In social studies, they will be learning about Kenya. In PLTW, they are learning about habitats and environmental changes.
- **4th**- They recently had their Colonial Day where they created help wanted ads and interviewed people for their jobs. In social studies, they are learning about the causes of the Revolutionary War. In math, they are learning about fractions. In PLTW, they are learning about structures of animals and their functions. They are writing paragraphs in response to texts and beginning essay writing.
- **5th** - They are reading Maniac Magee, and they are beginning Re-start next. They are writing based on fiction and nonfiction. In social studies, they are learning about ancient civilizations and explorers. They are working on the 4th module in math. In PLTW, they are learning about matter. They are visiting HS to see the HS music students.
- **Rise** - In physical science, they are learning about light and sound on the moon. They are working on St. Patrick's Day and spring activities.
- **Physical Education** - They are having yoga workshops this week by Think Wellness.
- **President's Report**
 - **Nomination Committee** - Sharon, Carolyn, Jamie Schulz, Jen Beinlich, Anu Andrews
 - **Committee Chairs Needed**- Please let me know if you are interested. (A few of the committees that need chairpeople for next year: Book Fair/ Trunk or Treat/ plant sale/ Thanksgiving pies/ Holiday Fundraiser/ Fun Run/ Membership) Many of these committees can be done on your own time, and you do not need to be in the building for most.
 - **PARP- THIS WEEK**-
 - Wednesday - Read a space book!
 - Thurs- Wear a shirt with words!

- Friday- Wear green!
 - Bookmark contest and book cover contest - Due 3/17 (Book covers on display during Barnes and Noble Night)
 - **Barnes & Noble Night** - Monday, March 20th – See the PTA website or check Remind for a schedule of teachers reading. Use the voucher to make any purchases and a percentage goes back to the PTA.
 - **Dine-O-Round** - Monday, March 20th – California Pizza Kitchen - YOU MUST HAVE OR SHOW THE VOUCHER!- (This is also Family Connect Night.)
 - **Bus Driver Appreciation Day** - Friday, March 24th - Breakfast will be hosted by our 4th grade bus safety monitors with the help of Ms. Bombolevicz and Ms. Pitrelli. There is an option to make a monetary donation on Memberhub.
 - **Spirit Wear** – Socks/ Flow Society Shorts/ Pop-Its/ Stickers- can all be purchased through the Memberhub Store or at PTA Meetings! We are sold out of smaller sizes, but have more coming!
 - Please encourage all incoming kindergarten parents to register ASAP.
 - **Still to come:**
 - Long Island Ducks Game! Saturday, May 6th: Tickets on sale NOW through memberhub. We have about 150 tickets sold.
 - Donuts with Grownups for 3rd Grade - Friday, April 21st
 - Spring Book Fair - April 17th & 18th
 - Spring Plant Sale - May 12th
- **Committee Reports:**
 - **Council Delegate** - Kim Pernice
 - March 2nd - volunteer opportunities through the district
 - Scholarship committee is in jeopardy of losing committee for lack of volunteers
 - Friends of Music - looking for volunteers
 - Green Team - looking for more committee members
 - March 28th - SEPTA Cabo Fresh fundraiser
 - Director of Music - 3rd grade - Please fill out Google Form ASAP!
 - Please join SEPTA!
 - **Nominating Committee** - Sharon Gribbin – An email will go out tomorrow to collect nominations for the 2023-2024 slate.
 - Open Positions- President/ 1st VP/ Recording Secretary/ Corresponding Secretary/ Council Delegate
 - Incumbent 2nd VP- Sue Bonsinius/ Treasurer- Carolyn Prego

- **Green Team** - Possible Swap Meet on April 18th at HSE (Same night as District Wide Bingo Night)
- **Fifth Grade Committee** - Gina Kandrach/ Danielle Chisari
 - Middle School visit - May 8th after lunch
 - Parent orientation at AMS - May 10th
 - May 23 - Bronx Zoo Trip
 - June 21 10am - Moving Up Ceremony
- **Yearbook Committee** - Jen Beinlich/ Danielle Chisari - Everything is closed down as far as pictures to be uploaded. Ads still have a day or two but please contact Jen Beinlich asap.
- **Spiritwear** - Sue Bosinius - Spring Sale 20% off 3/13-3-/27 with free shipping over \$50. Last big sale for this school year. Teacher / staff sale, also.
- **Arts & Ed** - Veronica Bonilla
 - Escape Room - January 24 (5th grade)
 - Sweet Briar Nature Center - February 14 (Kindergarten)
 - Starlab - February 10 (1st grade)
 - Monday- March 13th - Yoga Week (entire school)
 - Food Webs - April 17 and 18 (4th Grade)
 - Young People's Concert - March 22 (5th grade)
 - Starlab Planets - April 20 (2nd grade)
 - Birds of Prey - April 17 (5th grade)
 - Teddy Bear Clinic NYU - April 25 (Kindergarten)
 - Electricity LI Science - April 26 (3rd grade)
 - Field Day Laser Prismatic Magic - May 18 (2 assemblies)

Remind App: text @SELPTA to 81010
 BOE meeting at 8pm Tonight at NYA
 Next PTA Meeting will be April 18th – 7pm