

McVey Elementary School  
PTA Meeting 1:30pm  
October 10, 2023

- I. Welcome
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Minutes approved by Jenn Pevsner Leake & Michelle Robertson
- IV. Treasurers Report – Michelle Robertson
  - a. Current balance - \$27, 991.38
- V. Principals Report – Ms. Dunne
  - a. Time and locations may change for PTA meetings (afternoon, evening, Zoom.)
  - b. Threat made via News 12. Investigation is closed, school deemed safe for reopen.
  - c. True Lock out no one in our out, modified lock out only staff in and out that needed to be in the school.
  - d. Police and parents showed support by bringing staff (Siobhan Licastro) and delivering pizza. Kids Had indoor recess and didn't feel the difference.
  - e. Picture Day went very well.
  - f. Book Fair held outside or cafeteria, weather pending. After that is Wellness Week with Unity Day, Fire Prevention, & Wellness Walk during this week.
  - g. Other events Howl/Spooky Walk Oct 30<sup>th</sup>, Halloween Parade Oct 31<sup>st</sup>
  - h. Friday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> is Pink-Out, School wears pink for Breast Cancer Awareness.
  - i. Unity Day started 10 years ago. District wide Anti-Bullying. Students talk about Kindeology = Stability & Kindness. Is it bucket filling or bucket dipping?
- VI. Assistant Principal Report – Mr. Minerva
  - a. Bus drills were done and more will be done throughout the year.
  - b. Safety Walk through completed. Some loose ends to tie up but overall, McVey is in great shape.
- VII. Teacher Liaison Report – Ms. Jalfin
  - a. Thank you to all the parents for support and understanding during lock out.
  - b. Working with PTA on list of all class parents to communicate more effectively.
- VIII. Superintendent – Mr. Rosner
  - a. Has spent time at McVey and would like to thank the parents and community.
  - b. Safety Audit done. Addressing space issues at McVey.
- IX. Presidents Report – Amy Ramnarine and Jennifer Reinhardt
  - a. Committee Sign-ups if interested.
  - b. Thank you to parents and staff for your support.
  - c. Emails being sent to all committee chairs to tighten up communication.
- X. Vice Presidents Report – Allison Vardakis & Karen Heckman
  - a. Thank you to the staff and BOE during lock out.
- XI. Secretaries Report – Julie Leake & Jenn Pevsner
  - a. Thank you to the staff and BOE during lock out. Everyone did a phenomenal job being present and keeping our kid safe.

- b. Don't forget to sign up for Remind under your oldest child's grade.

XII. Committees

- a. Membership: Karen Heckman – don't forget to sign up. Currently at 419 members.
- b. Access & Curriculum: Infinite Campus Parent Workshop.
- c. World's Finest Chocolate: Allison Vardakis – 25 boxes sold by 1 student. 100 outstanding boxes waiting for payment.
- d. Safety & Transportation: Jennifer Pevsner & Jennifer Reinhardt – McVey Walk through completed and everything looks good.
- e. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee: Jennifer Pevsner and Allison Vardakis – Oct 17<sup>th</sup> Spooky Walk offsite, Smencil Sale Oct 26 & 27<sup>th</sup>, Pretzel Sale Oct 13<sup>th</sup> and at the Howl with glow items. November Pie Sale for Thanksgiving.
- f. Fall Photos: Julie Leake & Jenn Pevsner – Irvin Simon did a great job. Thank you to all the volunteers.
- g. Apparel Sale: Karen Heckman – LI Athletic, still open, ending on 10/13.
- h. Fall Catalog: Michelle Robertson – Starts today, Oct 10<sup>th</sup>.
- i. Book Fair: Jenn Pevsner & Allison Vardakis – will be held outside. If you are still interested in volunteering, reach out to us.
- j. Chuck E. Cheese: Michelle Robertson and Siobhan Licastro – Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 4-8pm.
- k. Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch: Pumpkins ordered, schedule for volunteers done, the kids will pick a pumpkin, play games, scavenger hunt.
- l. Halloween Howl and Spooky Walk: Allison Vardakis, Andy Lindow & Jennifer Reinhardt – Need volunteers the weekend before this event to build spooky walk. Remember no siblings. Non-perishable items will be collected during this event.
- m. Election Day Bake Sale: Julie Leake – 7am to 8pm. Donations needed, drop off the night before if you can, homemade items preferred.