

McVey Elementary School
PTA Meeting 7:00pm
September 12, 2023

- I. Welcome
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Minutes approved by Julie Leake & Karen Heckman
- IV. Treasurers Report – Michelle Robertson
 - a. Current balance - \$12,301.28
- V. Principals Report – Ms. Dunne
 - a. Welcome Mr. Rosner, new Superintendent for the East Meadow School District.
 - b. Thank you to the PTA for a successful school supply drop off and coffee and treats for the staff.
 - c. History of McVey Mustangs to Mighty Mind.
 - d. Next Meeting will review the state of McVey.
 - e. Whitsons: New food service company is still learning the system and adding new items to the lunch menu daily.
 - f. A lot of new faces at McVey. Welcome to all the new employees joining the team.
 - g. The front parking lot was resurfaced as well as some of the bathrooms in the building.
 - h. Why the gym is being used for PTA meetings and what the APR is being used for (Music/storage/pantry.)
 - i. Pantry: started because of the need during covid. McVey always did food collections for families in need. Food distribution continues weekly. We service the same 15-20 families. Mostly McVey families.
 - j. Entry/Exit Tickets/Skill Set. Kahn Academy/Eureka Math/Parent University on school webpage.
 - k. School Photos/Halloween Howl/Spooky Walk/K-Patch/Halloween Parade all on track for upcoming events.
 - l. Please remember ID's need to be scanned when entering McVey. There will be drills with students and homeland security in the coming weeks.
- VI. Assistant Principal Report – Mr. Minerva
 - a. Transportation is running smoothly. Still issues with Bus 58.
 - b. There is still a bus driver shortage.
 - c. Bus drills will be done with students.
- VII. Teacher Liaison Report – Ms. Jalfin
 - a. Thank you for the coffee and treats on day one.
 - b. Teachers are encouraging parents to sign up for the PTA. Class parents must be PTA members, attend meetings and communicate with the rest of the parents in the class regarding events, etc. to keep everyone posted.
- VIII. Presidents Report – Amy Ramnarine and Jennifer Reinhardt
 - a. Welcome: Looking forward to an excellent school year.
 - b. Welcome Back Social was a success. Held outside/weather cooperated.

- c. Supply drop-off was a huge success; 247 families dropped off their supplies.
 - d. Open discussion on events, volunteers, and communication.
- IX. Vice Presidents Report – Allison Vardakis and Karen Heckman
 - a. Welcome back. We hope everyone had a great summer and we look forward to a great school year.
- X. Secretaries Report – Julie Leake and Jennifer Pevsner
 - a. Don't forget to sign up for Remind and to ensure it is the grade for your oldest child.
- XI. Committees
 - a. Membership: Karen Heckman – don't forget to sign up. Goal for the year is 545 and we are currently at 292.
 - b. World's Finest Chocolate: Allison Vardakis – Biggest fundraiser of the year. If you are unable to sell, please send the chocolate box back unopen. If you would like more chocolate, please contact the chairpeople.
 - c. Access & Curriculum: Amy Ramnarine and Allison Vardakis – First Meeting next week.
 - d. Safety & Transportation: Jennifer Pevsner & Jennifer Reinhardt – First meeting next month.
 - e. 5th Grade Committee: Jennifer Pevsner and Allison Vardakis – What the 5th grade committee is, fundraising; please sign up and volunteer if you are a 5th grade parent.
 - f. Supply Drop Off: Allison Vardakis – 247 supplies were dropped off for students.
 - g. Apparel Sale: Karen Heckman – Going to LI Athletic this week to select apparel. A flyer will be coming home soon.
 - h. Book fair: Allison Vardakis and Jennifer Pevsner – Book fair will be held in October. We are looking to go back to our Fresh Air Book fair by holding this event outside as we did during covid. The kids really love being outside and shopping for books.
 - i. Picture Day: Jennifer Pevsner and Julie Leake – September 28th and 29th; Irvin Simon will be here again this year. Fall photo will be used for yearbook. Retake day in November.
 - j. Fall Catalog: Michelle Robertson and Siobhan Licastro – going home the 2nd week in October. The catalog will be filled with holiday gifts and gadgets. Don't forget to send in your orders.
 - k. Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch: Apples and Pumpkins have been ordered. The event is on October 25th.
 - l. Halloween Howl and Spooky Walk: Allison Vardakis, Andy Lindow & Jennifer Reinhardt – If you are available to volunteer the weekend before this event, it would be very helpful. This event is for McVey students only on Monday October 30th, 2023.