



September General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday September 18, 2024

Start Time: 9:34

End Time: 11:10

Location: Admin Building

Administration

1. Dr. Garibay
2. Erica Reynolds
3. Phil Capasso
4. Barr
5. Osmond
6. Colin Rigby
7. Nicholas Moretta

PTO Executive Board

1. Kim Kaufman
2. Samantha Amato
3. Amy Linquinto
4. Monika Kozicz
5. Linda Kraszewski
6. Jennifer Mule
7. January Nicoletta
8. Penelope
9. Kara Brick

Attendees

1. ilcole Orozco
2. Julia Garratano
3. Elisa Spada
4. Kristen Stark
5. Ashley Stana
6. Emily Holden
7. Andrea Simon
8. Sereena Gill
9. Allison DiSimone
10. Tara Edgette
11. Jenna Fiorentini
12. Ashley Sandbach
13. Kathleen Wickershan
14. Nicole Ireland
15. Danielle Quigley
16. Rosalie Mannarino
17. Jade Manzo

The meeting was called to order by our President, Kim Kaufman and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Announcements

Rigby

Great start to the New School Year. Credit to our staff. Energy levels are high. 6th and 7 grade wings got air conditioning. Our Partnership with the PTO works so much better.

Open with sports- soccer and cross country. Parent back to school night is next Thursday. Getting ready for our 7th graders trip to Stokes.

Have a great year .

Dr. Reynolds-

4th summer of summer bridge sharing out the district testing calendar. NJSLA scores will be in the genesis app under the document tab.

Beck-

Special services in our district. Energy and enthusiasm when the kids are back. Rammed up our Special Ed programs this year.

Phil Capasso-

Signed up 1st for the PTO. Parent app QR code prompts to save the app to your phone. Great to get information. Grateful for the partnership with the PTO.

Petrullo district IT manager. Admin great with all the projects over the summer. All the things we do are during the summer. Have a great year

Mrs. Barr-

Day 10 of the school year. Cooking up great themes. Back to school night was great. 2 separate grade level meetings. 1st on September 11th. We celebrated patriot day also Sept 12 courage.

Grade level safety with our kids. Fire drill, evacuation drill, lockdown, indoor/outdoor drill. How we come together as a community. Evac drill yesterday the kids handed it with pause and graced it for their age. arrival/ dep we have large # of parents who pick up but no buses for pre k. Road dept/ monmouth public works. Arrival proc changed 1st 24 cars are parked and walk kids to the building. 1st to arrive are the last to leave. Picture day sept 26th. For primary. Milano and I sent our CRPS chronicles all the news for primary. Our playground and landscaping were kept great

Dr. Garibay

Bus safety. There is a reason why the bus stops are where they are. Its for safety reasons/

Cedar Drive is turning 60 this spring

Shout out to Barr- she does a great job welcoming new families.

Capaso and Petrillo are technology manages our security dept or chrome book

Capaso Instructional

f/u about chrome book questions coming out in the next few weeks.

Our special services dept

Naval earl chief that many ppl request to be stationed here in Colts Neck to be a part of our school.

Children w/ disability parents we are here for you. Communication and partnership is key

Question: how the board fees ab Regionalization of schools? Garibay replied, we dont have alot of info.

Freehold HS is there a benefit for regionalization, feasibility to schools? Nothing mandated but discussing it more.

Nicole Araso- New Bus Transportation Director.

Worked 22 years in Brick. Works with an amazing staff here. Parents are a big part of safety. Any concerns please reach out to me. Kids Safety is my #1 concern. Every student gets a seat on our bus.

Marasca and Moretta

Marasco 10 and counting. Grateful for partnership with PTO playground, chrome books. School signs and many visible things from the PTO. Great partnership

My partner Moretta. We have some old facilities and we are working on improving them.

Moretta- open to ESEP and improvements . Solar panels going on shortly. Energy saving. Lots of good stuff going on. New parent with a special needs child. Energy barr gives in her school is great. Back to

School,Breakfast Thank kim and Sam for meeting with us. Our partnership is appreciation, Mini grants help the teachers to be more innovative with the kids .

Kim Kaufman-President

Thank you everyone staff for your overall support. Partnership with admin and how much we work together.

Met over the summer to discuss all things.

Hope everyone signed up for the PTO. Membership is open until Oct 1. But it remains open. It's how you find out about all events. Sign up for emails from us

Last year we had amazing events. Our Gala is the biggest. We have a relationship w south gate manor and we will continue because they are commodition

Gala next year March 27th. We are talking about the theme already. It's aFUN event.

Readathon brought in \$34000.00

We use this \$ for our legacy gift. Scenic view nursery donated the landscaping of our school

Selling Vineyard Vines. It's not continuous. No new orders of VV. Only children sizes left about 50

Box tops have changed no more ripping. Scan receipt through the app and there is an expiration 2 weeks from purchase date.

Harlem wizard Nov 18

Fundraising for the schools. Staff play against the Harlem Wizards. It's a fun and exciting event. Tickets will go on sale after PTO Membership closes. PTO members get the email 1st for tickets.

School supply drives are a little expensive but convenient.. Place orders in June- July and can be shipped to school or home. We deliver to the kids Homeroom

167 Primary

130 ELEMENTARY

80 CDMS

We had some damaged boxes and the company was great and replaced them asap.

We made over \$3000

Samantha Amato- Vice President

I have kids in all 3 kids any question please let me know if you have any questions

This year we have \$25,000 to give our teachers from the events we had. Author visits, assembly

We have 10 applications. Teachers have until Oct 8th to apply. Spiritwear this year we have 3 new designs. Sales \$1500 from our 1st store closed the week school opened . Next one is Sept 23 to Sept 30 for new orders. Added umbrellas this year and rain coats or staff. Parents can order umbrellas Minted- xmas card, invites, etc fundraise colts neck 15% off and pto get =s 10

Mini grants is a head start program for the school. It goes through an assembly line super intent, principal.

Jennifer Mule- Student Activities

-Introduction

Selling Vineyard Vines Tees \$20

Talk to Jen about Chairing Events and/or volunteering. Pre-K Story Time & Craft

Kindergarten Winter Wonderland

1st grade Family Fitness with Gym Teachers

2nd grade Carnival

3rd grade Trivia Night

4th grade Bowling

5th grade Moving up

6th grade I Play

7th grade Not Sure

8th grade Moving Up/ Many Events

Frosty's Event on the calendar is already running with Amy. Using a new company so excited

Monika Kozicz-(Kim sharing) Treasurer

Introduction

July Treasurer's Report (see attached)

August Treasurer's Report (see attached)

Reimbursement from student activities etc. go to reimbursement@coltsneckpto.org

Kara Brick- Membership Director

Introduction

Membership Update. 43% of families signed up and 44% of staff signed up. Registration closes 10/2/2024

Amy Linquinto- Sponsorship Director

Newsletter bi weekly to our members. All info about our events and news about our school.

Saver cards- when u sign up you can purchase. Its a discount card to many different store,restaurants.

Can be purchased anytime.

Penelope EL-Dalati- Digital Media Director

Social media and maintaining a website.

Website is highly accessible. Community corner update as much as i can especially with sports and library time at CN. Membership is the most popular right now. n grade level events not going to be on social media. Share the post on our social media. Tag us and we will share our stories.as long as it's a PTO Event.

FB 788

Insta 719

X 125

#'s have increased since last year. Which is great.

January Nicoletta (Kim sharing)- Secretary

Approve June 2024 Treasurer's Report (Julia Garatano& Ashley Stona)

Approved June Treasurer's Report (Nicole Ireland & Danielle Quigley)

Approve July Treasurer's Report (Ashley Stona & Jenna Garantini)

Approve June 2024 Minutes (Allison DiSimone & Nicole Ireland)

Questions/comments

One of the attendees asked if the PTO can have a fund or money allocated for mid-year teacher supplies?

During the school year teachers ask the parents if they can supply the classroom with needed supplies when they run out. Tissues, hand sanitizer, pencils, etc. The Pto responded that its something we can look into.

Meeting ended