

MINUTES OF THE PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION "PTA"
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Meeting Called To Order

President, Nicole Raizen, called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

- Nicole welcomed everyone.

Mrs. Morgan, Principal

Mrs. Morgan misses seeing everyone. Things are going well and moving smoothly.

- Covid-19 Dashboard-All cases would be posted through the Health Department on this site.

- At this time, we have had 2 cases.
 - 1 case was an adult, prior to students on campus
 - 1 case was a child, who was already on remote learning
- Parents of students have had positives but had kept children home.
- Continuing to work with the District and Health Department to ensure things are going well.
- Water fountains have been closed off and 3 water bottle refill stations on campus.
- Pediatric Dentistry has provided water bottles and staff is working on distribution.
 - k-3 classrooms have received already.

Harvest Drive

- We are proud that we were able to help those in need both at our school and in the community.
- Not as large of a collection/donation as previous years but considering the situation but were still very happy we were able to participate!

Mayors Challenge-Weston, December 6th

- Parent link sent out and posted to our website as well.
- Looking different this year, parent involvement needed.
- \$1000 if we participate

- Mrs. Morgan mentioned that she doesn't have any further information about January, the district is hosting a town hall meeting at 6:30pm tonight. Follow up to see what's covered, no additional information at this time.
- She acknowledges challenges at home and has spoken with a lot of families.
- We need furthered and continued participation, cameras on & assignments turned in.
- Seeing a decrease in participation.
- We need parents encourage and support to get through this.
- Teachers and staff are working hard and working together to support each other during this time. Mrs. White and Mr. Bohem have been very helpful with technology She appreciated everyone's hard work and effort.

In closing Mrs. Morgan, Principal, hopes everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving. With reminders to be grateful and take the time to enjoy a safe break. Let's look forward to the New Year!

Nicole Raizen, PTA President, will post the minutes for every meeting on the CIE and CIE PTA website.

Nicole Raizen, PTA President, asked if there were any corrections for the prior minutes and none were noted. Prior meetings minutes stand approved as written.

Marianela Collado, PTA Treasurer-Treasures Report

Marianela Collado, PTA Treasurer, Thank You for the introduction

Financials review

Overall doing well since we're saving in some areas.

- Fall Book Fair- Unfortunately didn't happen this year
- On a positive note, Ian has gotten some great sponsorships.
 - Good approach to making up lost revenue
- Falling behind on t-shirt/agenda sales, \$4600 YTD – kudos to the web team!!!
- Total revenue YTD \$13,142.64
 - different expenses=different revenue, already paid for t-shirts and scholastic news for the year.

- Bottom Line -\$14,821.12

- Had reserves from previous year \$82,875.94, cushion

Marinela concludes with asking everyone to try and get sponsorships!

Nicole Raizen, PTA President

Family Nights

- Trying to book as many as possible to make up for lost fundraiser revenue.

- Pizza of Davie, Tiajuana Flats, tonight is Chipotle

- Pizza of Davie had a lower then expected revenue

- December 15th - Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza

- February 3rd 2021- McDonalds night

- not a typical "teachers night" but just a fundraiser

- Working on securing Chilies for January

Rosie Collado, PTA Vice-President

Rosie was the lead with Pizza of Davie, this was our first time trying a fundraiser with them. They were great to work with, there was some miscommunication as to the percentage of donation the school would receive. Probably would not do another fundraiser but would work with them again perhaps on catering. Made \$86...

Nicole Raizen, PTA President, encouraged everyone to participate and pass on because these will be our biggest fundraisers for the year due to the current climate!

Fall Fundraiser

- Made almost \$1000, didn't go as planned, due to it being 100% virtual

Membership

- This year we have signed up only 50 members, prior years numbers are usually between 200-300 memberships.

- Please communicate this out, you must be a paid member to vote in PTA matters.

- Parent question came up, "should there be room parents to help with classroom communications?"

- It was replied that this is teacher specific-Some teachers prefer to communicate directly. The school is active on FB, Instagram and emails & calls about important information.

Nicole Raizen, PTA President

- Participants of this meeting should write their names in the chat section as a record of attendance, thank you.

- Ian is doing a great job with the sponsorship banners; she spoke about sending out the sponsor sheets for posting on all media sources.

Marianela Collado, PTA Treasurer

- Annual audit has been completed and approved

Fall Book Fair

Rosie, PTA Vice-President

- Completely Virtual this year due to Covid-19
- Tentatively 2 weeks, November 30th-December 11th(friday)
- Everything gets sent straight to your home, please support the Scholastic book fair
- Great gift options!

Yearbook

Magida Arslan, Yearbook Committee

- A meeting was held with committee and Nicole Raizen, PTA President. Specifics were discussed. Aiming for summer distribution rather than May due to Covid.

- Looking at the same price point; 112 pages, there is an option to reduce pages by 4 or 8 at a time.

- A new email address was created last year to use annually, master email for the yearbook committee. CountryIslesYearbook@gmail.com

- Looking for ideas like “silly sock day” or something to get parent involvement.
- Usually 110 kids who participate in baby photo section

- We need to encourage the sales of personal dedication pages; this will add to revenue.

- Spoke about the possibilities of adding "Covid-19 Poems," Jennifer Storey is still willing to help, she's served on the committee in prior years.

- Mindy Morgan, Principal, will share this information with the teachers.

- Nicole Raizen, PTA President , along with Karla Gamberg will oversee the committee for the 5th grade baby pictures, they will communicate the information to the 5th grade parents.

Harvest Drive

- Nicole Raizen, PTA President, delivered the food, we appreciate those who donated, Harvest Drive was very thankful.

Veterans Day

- Lynn King, Committee chair thanked everyone for participation. She has created a slideshow to be posted to the website, already posted to Facebook.

Box Tops

- Michelle Lopez, Committee Chair, encouraged everyone to download the app to collect the boxtops.

- Box Tops can still be dropped off in the school lobby box

- She will re-post the flier to media.

Nicole Raizen, PTA President

- We will post minutes for approval on the next meeting.

Question from Nicole Raizen, PTA President to Mindy Morgan, Principal; Have you heard anything about FSA?

- Mindy Morgan, PTA President replied, "No Information as of now," The 3rd grade in building students have taken some tests but school at home students have not.

- We are holding for more information but as of now we are preparing for the FSA.

- As a reminder we have a donation box near the front loop. Clothes, anything!

Parent question: Heather Rosenfeld, PTA Recording Secretary, Are we planning anything for the holidays and teacher appreciation?

•Nicole Raizen, PTA President, actually they just put stuff out for the teachers to discover in the morning! As a reminder everything must be pre-packaged and are to-go.

- Please reach out with any ideas.

Parent Question: Have we thought of selling the logo masks that we had printed for teachers? We could sell the whole pack with the mask and the CIE bag?

•We will look into it, probably would have to be a pre-sale before we ordered to ensure quantities were correct.

- We could promote these on the website.

•2019/2020 Yearbooks still available, we will be doing pre-orders this year to avoid excess. 6-8 boxes still available.

Rosir Collado Perez, PTA Vice-President, questioned what are the re-order minimum quantities?

- We will confirm, possibly 50 units

Jennifer Storey mentioned that we could begin a pre-sale event now we just need to solidify a price. Also, that the t-shirt promo (buy 4 get one free) was still active.

In Closing

Nicole Raizen, PTA President

- A reminder that the next meeting is February 10th, 2021
- Keep an eye on the FB and Instagram pages for more information
- Please send over any ideas for fundraising or any ideas for eat out nights.
- Yearbook Committee is always looking for help!

Rosie Perez, PTA Vice-President

- As a reminder, anyone who wants to chair anything please reach out to get involved.

Parent Question: What are Chairs?

- Rosie Perez, PTA Vice-President answered, i.e.; bookfair, yearbook, 5th grade.

Parent Question: Does Lifetouch do a digital yearbook?

- no

Parent Question: Can we learn teacher's birthdays?

- the front office has/had a binder of that information.
- Mindy Morgan, Principal, will look into publishing this information.

Nicole Raizen, PTA President, wishes everyone a great Thanksgiving.

Nicole Raizen, PTA President adjourned tonight's meeting at 7:23pm

