



PTO MINUTES

March 9, 2022

Call to Order: 7:12

Attendance: see attached list via zoom and in person	Board Members in Attendance:
Nicole Moore - President	
Brittany Gourley - Co-Vice President, Committee Chair	
Tracey Kilinski - Co-Vice President, Grade Level Oversight	
Gwen Perdomo - Treasurer	
Rebecca Gendrano - Correspondence Secretary	
Maria Bartman-Kowalik -Recording Secretary	

Topic	Summary
Mr. Tennant – Principal Round Table	<p>-Masks are now optional as of March 7.</p> <p>-3/10 early dismissal</p> <p>-3/24 early dismissal for parent teacher conferences.</p> <p>-Spring book fair 4/4-4/8</p> <p>-4/8 End of Marking Period</p> <p>-4/11 Report cards will be available after 4PM</p> <p>-4/15-4/24 Spring Break</p> <p>-Last Day to order Faber yearbook 6/1, please get your orders in.</p> <p>Reminders:</p> <p>-If student is to be picked up early please call the school to let the teacher know ahead of time</p> <p>-All Class trips will be on location at Faber</p> <p>-We are having outdoor recess; please pack a change of clothes as it can be muddy and wet.</p> <p>Class updates:</p> <p>Mrs. Keene working on different letter sounds COGBQ and on Health Eating</p> <p>Mrs. Lauery: Also on letter sounds and health eating, but also continuing on with Eagle camp from Duke estates</p> <p>Mrs. Duke Farms Eagle camp and Leprechaun traps.</p> <p>Kindergarten: children are working on Leprechaun traps, Jelly Bean Counting, Constructing spring baskets for the classroom.</p> <p>1st Grade: Math: place values, problem solving, Science: plants and animals, Social Studies Women and History and St. Patrick's Day and writing informational pieces.</p> <p>2nd Grade: Women's History Month, Leprechaun traps, Math: two digit subtraction, and writing opinion pieces.</p>

	<p>3rd Grade: Women's History Month, Math: area and perimeter 4th Grade: Reading novel Crash, Math: fractions equivalents and ordering, social studies learning about the American Revolution. April 6 Old Barracks of NJ will lead a virtual field trip for students. 5th Grade: Reading: Stepping on Cracks, Science: Earth's atmosphere, Math 2 digit dividers, Rebecca: Food For Spring parties must be store bought and prepackaged? Mr. Tennant to discuss with Nurse North about homemade food.</p> <p>Special Guest: Dr. Santaniello, Director of Special Services -Parent meetings 3x's a year, looking for topics that would interest parents. Looking to have resources that can be brought into the community at those meetings. Unified (inclusive recreation club for students), Guest Speakers (topics guardianship or resources) Looking for help to pick topics, next meeting on 4/7 @6PM Looking for members for Dreams membership. Contact information is on district website.</p>
Nicole Moore- President	Call to order
Gwen Perdomo- Treasurer's report	<p>Payed off holiday Bazaar, made \$400 profit. Candy gram fundraising brought in \$838.00 Approx. \$100 spent on supplies for candy grams. Additions: Donations for tricky tray add Expenses: amazon purchase for tricky tray tickets \$41,793 balance in account Motion to approve: Laurie Mann, 2nd Nicole Ernest.</p>
Maria Bartman - Minutes	<p>Minutes shared on screen Attendance reviewed Approved: Nicole Ernest, 2nd Laurie Mann</p>
Nicole Moore- Presidents report	<p>Tricky tray: Registration link is now live 42 people registered, working on getting donations. Mr. Lynch and Mr. Altemeier will have 6 seats available for graduations Please Keep sending in donations. Basket Wrapping dates to be posted once official room approval has come in</p>

	<p>Farmer’s Market – Dunellen will have PTO table. Please come visit our table!</p> <p>Candy Grams- huge hit! 875 candy grams made profit \$779! Candy gram profit will go toward tricky tray prizes. Elizabeth Willoughby collected donations \$505 from teachers to be put toward prizes.</p> <p>Scholastic dollars: 7 teachers reached out with requests for items. 5 teachers will get items that were requested, most were books. Will be approved by Board of ED at the next meeting. Two teachers requested items not available from scholastic but will put box tops money toward those items. One teacher who asked for rug for the classroom which was very expensive through scholastic, that request is on hold until after tricky tray.</p> <p>Somerset Patriots- Fundraising night on June 11, fireworks night. Purchase through link. \$9.50 is what we are charged per ticket. Can set our own price, will be \$13. If we are able to sell 250 tickets, then it will only cost us \$6.00 per ticket. Will work with us with our students being involved in on field activities, depending on how many tickets bought.</p> <p>Board Nominations:</p> <p>Thank you to Jessica Rodriguez, google link to be sent after meeting. We have until April 12 to put in nominations. All positions are open. Brittany stepping down for VP of Committees. Anyone can run for any position as long as you are a current PTO member. Jessica will reach out to Nominees to confirm nomination. Please include name and telephone number or email address with nomination.</p>
<p>Brittany Gourley- Vice President – Committee chair</p>	<p>Holiday Bazaar – great profit will continue to use Small World Gift Shop. There is a link available all year round. We will be receiving a TV from Small World Gift Shop to use for Tricky Tray.</p> <p>Book Fair- BOGO sale April 4-8. Next year will need to have this Sale in May.</p> <p>Scholarships: Due after Spring break. Six \$1,000 scholarships are given away each year. Kate Harada will be chairperson. Will present Scholarships at Graduation. If you are interested please let Brittany know. Commitment is to review all applications and interview those who are chosen.</p> <p>5th Grade Farewell: Diana Galvez is running committee. Will keep as an outdoor kickball game. June 17th, Rain Date June 20.</p> <p>8th Grade Promotion: Nicole is chairperson, 8th grade graduation will be on June 27.</p> <p>Teacher Appreciation May 2-May 6. Trina Rios will be one of the chair people. Nicole to follow up with Mr. Mosely to confirm how to proceed regarding buffet, or individually wrapped meals.</p>
<p>Tracey K- Vice President - Grade Level Oversight</p>	<p>Spring Party-find out if on first day of Spring or Day before spring break.</p> <p>Kindergarten may be the only March Party. At this time will keep pre-packaged items. Mr. Tennant to discuss with Nurse North about home made goods.</p> <p>Any parties between Valentine’s Day and Spring parties – if it is not on the party list please make Tracey aware as the teacher should be reaching out to all parents for items, not just PTO parents for those.</p>

Beth Willoughby- Teacher Liaison	DEA PRIDE is happy to be working with PTO on tricky tray. Faber Staff was also happy to donate and attend the Tricky Tray.
Maria Bartman - Assemblies	Traveling Planetarium – spoke to Mr. Tennant and working out dates for during school. If all classes unable to attend, thinking about having a family fun night for everyone else to attend. If anyone has ideas for an assembly – please reach out.
Rebecca Gendrano: Corresponding Secretary	Talent Show – Gazebo at Washington Park, June 4 th in the afternoon. Hal Vandermark from Inspire Art Studio will donate sound equipment use and Noel Gendrano will run the Sound. Looking for “entertainers” (students) and baked goods for a bake sale. Kate Harada: pointed out that the Town Wide Garage Sale will also be on June 4 th . Rebecca: will make Talent show start later to accommodate.
Open discussion	Mrs. Mann: thank you for the books that are being obtained through scholastic. It will enrich curriculum. Nicole: this year’s tricky tray will be hybrid, in person or virtual, all tickets will have names on back. Will not need to worry about another name not being called. Golden Ticket – chance to win 1 ticket in every prize for \$20.
Meeting adjourned	