



CRS PTA Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Attendees: Alice Chu, Candice Lim, Danielle Rosenberg, Denise Mellas, Jamie Kovac, Nicole Bushta, Alex Bond, Svetlana Santasiero, Marybeth Pisani, Heather Costabile, Allison DePiero, Paulette Laurenzi, Kelly Conway, Kristin McKee, Karina Garcia, Gina Smedley, Melissa Miao, Reshma Thomas, Jessica Dorena, Monica Saracino, Nital Patel, Danielle Hupart, Esther Daniels, Gail Shifar, Weiwei Han, Kristen Evangelista, Vicki Holst, Annie Amador, Nicole Paladino, Rachel Lohman, Maneet Kaur, Chela Papaccioli

9:15 Pledge of Allegiance & Call to Order – Rachel Lohman

- Introductions from all present at meeting to start off the new school year.
- President's Report of what is ahead and what the PTA does.

9:25 Approval of May 17 Meeting Minutes -approved by Candice Lim & Lynn Barravecchio.

9:30 Treasurer's Report – Maneet Kaur- discussed monies spent and tax completion when fiscal year closes.

- Approval of 2018-19 Operating Budget- approved by Candice Lim & Paulette Laurenzi.

9:40 Correspondence – Chela Papaccioli-Thank you's were shared around the room.

9:45 Superintendent's Report – Dr. Strauss- A warm introduction and thank you for a wonderful school district. Goals to keep everything moving forward as interim superintendent.

9:55 Principal's Report – Mrs. Gagliardo- A new school year introduction and thank you to the PTA and members for all they do. Back to school night reminder for September 27th at 7pm.

10:05 Board of Education Report – Vicki Holst filled in for the meeting. An introduction and what the BOE does and how to stay connected was discussed. An update for the teachers contract, they are eager to settle and still working hard for the contract.

10:10 Committee Reports

- Membership & Fundraising – Rachel Lohman- 135 members to date. The goal is 100% participation among parents and faculty.
 - ✓ New Online Store- called Member Hub which is more convenient.
 - ✓ New Spiritwear-old apparel 50% off. Great new apparel with new logo. October 1st is the new deadline.
 - ✓ Apex Fun Run- Justin Harris from Apex presented the 2 week program which starts Oct. 22nd.
 - ✓ **Chairs Needed:** Box Tops, Publicity, Sponsorships, Raffle- please sign up on the sign up genius.
- Student Enrichment – Rachel Lohman

- ✓ Recess Investment-gaga pit and new quieter games purchased.
- ✓ Library Investment-new books purchased.
- ✓ Grants Program-money dedicated to classes and teachers.
- ✓ Visiting Author Program- Dan Gutman will be coming in January.
- ✓ 5th Grade Activities-graduation parties, yearbooks, and more.
- ✓ Assembly Highlights-great new assemblies: well being, empowerment, anti bullying and more.
- ✓ **Chairs Needed:** Scholastic Book Fair- Ali DePiero volunteered.
- Teacher & Staff Development – Gina Smedley
 - ✓ Teacher & Staff Welcome Back Breakfast- was greatly appreciated and a success.
 - ✓ Extra Mile Breakfast- for transportation team.
- Fun at CRS – Chela Papaccioli
 - ✓ Meal Program Update- Chanos is our new vendor and has positive feedback.
 - ✓ Free Pizza & Fro Yo Days- greatly appreciated by all. See Irina for pizza and Jamie for fro yo for any questions.
 - ✓ Parent Coffee-a great turn out.
 - ✓ Class Parents- the list was sent out.
 - ✓ Decorating Committee –Svetlana and Marybeth did a great job in the hallways.
 - ✓ **Chairs Needed:** Halloween Bash- looking for three more to chair event.

10:25 Upcoming Events – Gina Smedley

- Picture Day 9/14 (today)
- Support-a-Circle Coupon Fundraiser 9/17-10/10-new book will be sent home to purchase. Danielle explained the new style and the mobile app feature.
- Class Parent Breakfast 9/17- Rachael will be hosting at her house.
- Yankee Candle Fundraiser 9/24-12/31.
- Scholastic Book Fair 9/24-29- volunteers needed.
- Halloween Costume Drive 9/26-10/19.
- Back-to-School Night Parent Social 9/27.
- DIY Ladies Night at Kara Kakes 10/4-limited space available.
- Skate Night 10/12.
- Box Tops Collection 10/12.
- Apex Fun Run 10/22-11/2.
- Halloween Bash 10/27.
- Extra Mile Breakfast 11/5.

10:30 Thank You – Gina Smedley

- Retirements – Jamie Kovac and Maneet Kaur
- Field Day – Charlene Wingfield, Suzanne Kucharski and all volunteers
- Year End Bash & Tricky Tray – Denise Mellas, the PTA Board and all volunteers
- Faculty Welcome Breakfast – Chela Papaccioli, Gina Smedley, Jane Santos, Maneet Kaur, Alice Chu, Lynn Barravecchio
- Free Pizza Day – Chela Papaccioli
- Welcome Coffee – Gina Smedley
- Movie Night – Morgan Friedman, Jane Santos, Kelly Conway, Esther Daniels, Kristen Evangelista & Troy Stephens, Maneet Kaur, Paulette Laurenzi, Rachel Lohman, Denise & Dean Mellas, Nital Patel-Pak, Kim McPartland, Nicole Paladino and Gina Smedley

- Free Fro Yo – Jamie Kovac, Gina Smedley

10:35 FLEF Report – Kathy Leiz- Discussed what FLEF does and the upcoming events: 50/50 raffles, Anatomy 201 and Rectoberflef in October.

10:40 New Business- Paulette discussed the 3rd annual gala luncheon for the Spring Lake Toys Foundation event she runs to help raise money for ill children. Please join in on October 18th 11am-2pm Indian Trail Club.

10:45 Adjournment