

PTA MEETING MINUTES

Franklin Avenue Elementary

Date/Time 10/17/2022 7:00pm | *Meeting called to order by* Kevin Wrafter

I. Classroom Reports – Heather Reekie

Kindergarten: Mastering routines and learning new school rules. In math they are learning about the number five (5) and they are learning recognition of letters and letter sounds.

First Grade: In math they are adding and subtracting to ten. Working hard on reviewing letter sounds and cbc words and compound words.

Second Grade: Working well in groups and are enjoying writing. Working on place value.

Third Grade: In math they are learning how multiplication and division are related. Make sure to study math facts each night. The students are finishing up their narratives.

Fourth Grade: The students are learning how to write realistic nonfiction stories. In science they are learning information processing and perception and in social studies the geography of New York. Please study math facts daily.

II. Principals Report – Dr. Talleyrand

Benchmark Assessments: Beginning of the year benchmark assessments have been completed so that we can see how much the children learn by the December report cards.

Little Spot: new school theme of “Little Spot of Belonging” was introduced. Bulletin boards are displayed, and the book was read to each classroom. Each student was left with a spot and the students were asked when they do something to help someone feel like they belong to write about it or draw picture of it and displayed them in the hallways. Each month will have a different little spot focus. The school will be wearing orange on Wednesday for Unity Day.

Ruler Program: Each classroom made a class charter which is an anchor tool that focuses on what the students want to feel in the classroom and what behaviors we can exhibit to feel that way. The mood meter will be introduced this month, which is reflective by colors – yellow, red, blue, etc. The children will be introduced to the meter and identifying how they are feeling and look for ways to turn around their feelings. School Psychologist and Social Worker are pushing in and helping the teachers with the program

Cultural Heritage Celebration: Each month has at least one culture to celebrate, so families were asked to share some traditions or things they do at home with their children and those traditions are displayed on the bulletin boards in the hallways. Oct. is Italian, German and Polish

American Heritage month so anyone who filled out those forms will be displayed for those to see.

Halloween: classroom parties first at 1:45pm and the parade at 2:30pm.

Report Cards: we are moving to trimesters so report cards will be posted in December but parent teachers conferences will be in November – Nov. 3rd and Nov. 4th. The three elementary school principals and Dr. Roelle are going to host a parent information session on Wednesday Oct. 6th from 4pm to 5pm and Oct. 27th from 5pm to 6pm in the multipurpose room. To provide a general understanding of the rubrics.

III. President's Report and important dates – Kevin Wrafter

Treasurers Report: \$42,738.66 doesn't include the school photos and still reconciling some events like Back to School Tea so that number may increase. Membership fees, class dues still need to be reconciled.

Late August we had Kindergarten playground night and bus orientation. In September we did back to school tea. Back to school night we had a couple weeks ago. We are trying to get a certain number of people registered for the PTA, our goal 100, we are currently at 99! We had Family Picnic Night, the kids had a blast. For the MEMBERSHIP DRAWING the winner was Kathy Ferraris.

Need CHAIRS/CO CHAIRS and SHADOWS for many different events please contact the PTA should you be interested please contact the PTA for more info.

Spirit Wear is closed for now. We raised \$300 in fundraising in September. We are going to try to do another sale around January, maybe green for St. Patricks Day, and then another sale in the spring.

IMPORTANT DATES:

October 21st: Franklin Friday – wear spirit wear

October 27th: Bubbakoos Fundraiser

October 31st: Halloween Parties and Parade

November 3rd and 4th – Parent Teacher Conference and half day dismissal

November 4th – FAMILY Bingo!

November 7th – Retakes for school photos

Meeting Adjourned – 8:04pm

Minutes taken by Annemarie Agosta, Recording Secretary

The **next PTA Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, November 14th @ 9:30am**