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Minutes FOR MEMBER MEETING Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Attendance: Mrs. Antoniello, Aparna Amoss, Stacey Ayers, Renee Esposito, Melissa Bennington, Jamie Franco, Deandrea LaFrance, Mairin Barbieri, Cora Desmond Ruiz, Erin Ahern, Jeffrey P. Jannerone, Ralph Addonizio

Order of Business

1. Kaia Barbieri (with Aparna Amoss) called the meeting to order. Mairin Barbieri approved March Minutes
2. Treasurer's Report - Renee Esposito: The beginning balance for the CAPE General Checking account was \$59,690.41 for March 2022. On the 31st of September the ending balance was \$59,128.66. The beginning balance in the Grace B. Taylor Scholarship account was \$4,306.51. Total interest for the month of March was \$0.19 leaving the ending balance at \$4306.70. The beginning and ending balance in the NJLGCC account was \$1501.00. The total balance of funds for the end of July/August was \$64,936.33.
3. Corresponding Secretary's Report - Melissa Bennington: CAPE replaced the microwave in the teacher's lounge so we received some thank you notes. Received an email from the front office secretaries thanking CAPE for the flowers for Administrative Professionals day.
4. Administration & Faculty Report - Mrs. Antoniello: Spring parties were a success, the kids had fun, NJSLA testing for 5th grade starts 4/30 and 3rd and 4th starts 5/9. Field day for K-2 is moved from 5/27 to 5/26. The board has made 5/27 a day off, there will be no school. Mrs. Antoniello recognized the teachers at Central and wanted to thank them for all they have done during this year. She also thanked CAPE for pampering the teachers.
5. Special Committee Report/What's happening
 - a. 5th Grade Committee - Stacey Ayers spoke about 5th grade end of the year activities. The trip is 5/26. The picnic is 6/8. CAPE will be providing a 5th grade t-shirt for every student, sizes are due back by May 13th. There will be a Lawn Sign sale, funds from sales go toward the picnic and trip. Signs are \$20 and orders need to be in by 5/23. There will also be a Sweet Farewell fundraiser. Family members can purchase boxes of candy with a personal note on them that will be delivered to 5th graders in their classroom. Boxes cost \$4 each.
 - b. Bingo Night - Stacey Ayers spoke about Bingo Night. 5/20 at 6:30 in the Central School gym. Registration is filling up and seats are limited so register soon. Cost is \$6 per person, kids and adults
 - c. Book Fair Update- Melissa Bennington spoke for Jennifer Cortese: Book fair was a success earning \$5200 in scholastic dollars and a 2nd book fair bonus. Proceeds from raffle and bake sale were used to purchase books for the library. Lots of books were purchased from families for the teachers. The group commented on how much the kids and parents enjoyed coming to school and seeing the book fair.

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- d. Garden Committee/Plant Sale - Cora Desmond Ruiz and Aparna Amoss gave an update. There is a mother's day plant sale on May 5th and 6th. They will need volunteers for the sale, maybe 4 per slot. These are starter plants including herbs, vegetables, and flowers. CASH ONLY! Parent's should send in small bags or boxes for children to carry plants home in. \$2 per plant, check the flyer and make a wish list.
 - e. Raffle Update - Aparna Amoss: First week of prizes have been picked and announced and winners have been contacted. Sold 150 tickets which topped the goal of 100. Winners will be drawn every Sunday and posted on CAPE Facebook every Sunday night or Monday morning. HUGE thank you to Kim Puleo and Michelle Kilimnick for gathering all the prizes. Aparna added as an aside that in the future CAPE will need someone who is skilled at making flyers. It's an important detail to keep in mind.
 - f. Spring Treat Fundraiser Update - Renee Esposito: Spring treats were cute and delicious and we made \$390 on sales. Thank you to all who ordered.
 - g. Teacher Luncheon - Aparna Amoss: The luncheon for teacher appreciation was moved to 4/28 because there is testing the following week. Students can still bring in things for their teachers next week but CAPE will serve lunch this week. There are also teacher shout-outs on Padlet. Kids can go in and leave a note to their teachers which will be shared with them next week.
 - h. Yearbook - Mairin Barbieri: There are only 23 yearbooks left so if you want one please buy it ASAP. Once those 23 are sold there will be no extras.
2. New Business/New Ideas
- a. End of the Year Celebration - Stacey Ayers: Fun Fair 2.0 will take place on Saturday, June 4th from 2-5pm (rain date Saturday, June 11th). We will have a DJ, Inflatables, Sand Art, Cake Walk, Games, and carnival foods like popcorn, cotton candy, chips and drinks. Tickets will be sold in advance for a discount or at the door. VOLUNTEERS will be needed so please consider giving your time to make it a success. More information will be coming out soon.\
 - b. Aparna Amoss brought up having one or two more dine-to-donate. One place that was mentioned was Sundaes and proceeds would go to Knights in Need. This would fund gift cards given to the school counselor to be used for students who may have a particular need like clothing, supplies or food. The second dine-to donate, possibly a pizza restaurant, could go toward the 5th grade activities.
 - c. Aparna Amoss talked about the scholarship winner, it will be announced by the High School. Mairin Barbieri talked about how there are always a few teachers who stand out in the scholarship application essays. This year there were several for Mrs. Gero.
 - d. Ralph Addonizio spoke about the state of the district and took questions from the group. He thanked CAPE and other PTA's for picking up the slack that the Board cannot cover. He talked about how things that are budgeted for tend to get put on hold because other unexpected things come up. There was discussion from the group on town topics.

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3. Important Upcoming Dates

- a. May 5th and 6th - Mother's Day Plant Sale
- b. May 17th - Little Knights Store
- c. May 18th - CAPE Meeting
- d. May 20th - Bingo Night at Central
- e. May 26th - Field Day K-3 (K-1 AM; 2-3 PM - Rain Date June 6th)
- f. May 26th - 5th Grade Trip
- g. May 31st - Light Up the Knight Community Event
- h. June 1st - 5th Graders Visit WIS
- i. June 1st - Rain Date: Light up the Knight Event
- j. June 3rd - Field Day - 4th and 5th (Rain Date June 10th)
- k. June 4th - End of Year Celebration (Rain Date June 11th)
- l. June 8th - 5th Grade Picnic