

# ROCKAWAY MEADOW SCHOOL PTA

## MEETING

October 9, 2017

**In Attendance:** Abigail LaShomb, Tiffany Hiltz, Anne Smith, Marjorie Pereira, Kimberlee Doktor, Linda Keomj, Nicole Brower, Karen Snell, Alice Thomas, Keith Cortright, Anne Gencarelli, Pinal Shah, Michael Hess, Jessica Coe

Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 pm

Acceptance of Minutes – Abby & Marjorie accept minutes

Treasurer's Report **Abigail LaShomb** is reporting TD operating balance = \$13,643.72

Corresponding Secretary **Marjorie Pereira** None at this time

**Teacher's Report/Presentation Ms. Thomas, Mrs. Gencarelli, Ms. Snell provided a presentation on Reading with your kids. PowerPoint presentation is available on the school website.**

-Suggested reading 15 minutes a night –Fluency & Comprehension go hand in hand –Rote Skills, memorize letters, sounds & high frequency words –Have your child explain book to you (picture walk) –Read exact words on the page – read with them -5 finger rule (look for an easier book) –What does it look like when you're really reading? –connection to home (set up an environment)

### Updates

- Back to School BBQ
  - Made \$266
- Class Party Items
- Membership **Abby LaShomb**
  - 115 members to date
- Class Moms **Tiffany Hiltz**
  - Will be given out on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> grade class moms just for correspondence, 5<sup>th</sup> grade committee does planning.
  - K - Jill Volarich
  - 1 - Hess
  - 1 - Pereira
  - 2 - Suppa
  - 2 - tbd
  - 3 - Smith
  - 3 - Freire
  - 4 - Hiltz
  - 4 - DiMacco
  - 5 - Doktor
  - 5 - Hendershot
- Directory
  - Being sent home on 10/10/17, if family is in the directory they received one.

- PTA Handbook
  - Hopefully going out this week.
- Spiritwear
  - 10/15 to go home, will include PTA volunteer shirts.

### Fundraisers

- Kids Stuff
  - Trying to get more sold
- Save Around
- Yankee Candle
  - Went home Friday, Due 11/1/17
- Meadow Farms
  - Possibly in January

### Upcoming Events

- Fall Festival
  - Parsippany Best to Do some Food
  - Signs to go up
  - Vendors sharing event
  - Pumpkins donated by ShopRite
  - PTA to sell snacks
- Trunk or Treat
  - Need a chair person
  - Flyers should go home next week

### Other Commitment

- 5th Grade Moving Up **Jessica Coe**
  - Fundraiser at Soccer Field raised \$300 selling snacks & drinks
  - Question to superintendent if food guidelines pertain to end of year party.
  - Walk a Thon on 10/13
  - Question asked...Can we sell things to public on election day?
- Dining to Donate **Still need chair, Marjorie Pereira reports**
  - IHOP on 10/25
  - WoodStack on 11/14
  - Outback in the works
- Enrichment – Beginning in November
- Food Days – In November

### Principal's Report

- Google expedition being shared among classrooms
- Pre assessments to gauge current levels children are at are being finished up.
- Fire Trailer scheduled to come on 10/19

- Week of Respect Activities also scheduled for week of 10/16

Questions, Comments, Ideas.....Adjourn Meeting

- Questions – Who trains lunch aides? How aides are addressing the rules?
  - Mr. Cortright and Ms. Larger do
  - 1:1 aides are also at lunch
  - Mr. Cortright requested parents to call with specific concerns
- A Suggestion was made to have pictures with Santa and do a possible Winter Wonderland.
- A Suggestion was made to possibly do Family Portraits for a fundraiser.

Halloween Party/Parade – Will be held on 10/31 from 1:45 pm to 3:00 pm. Ms. C has picked out foods from the new food guidelines that are ok for our school. PTA will get food, class parents to get games & crafts.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 pm

Next meeting scheduled for 11/2/17