

Abbey Lane PTA 2023-2024  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- Call to Order time: 7:03pm
- Budget Presentation –
  - Went over deadlines, budget hearings and budget vote. There is a proposed 3.884% budget increase. There were no cuts to programs this year, there will be more programs introduced. Talked about details of capital projects. Every classroom in the district is airconditioned, work done mostly with inhouse staff. There are four schools that you can vote at for the budget vote, you go to your zoned voting place.
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- Welcome – Co Presidents Jeanine Quigley and Rebecca McCrea
- Approval of Minutes – Recording Secretary Carla Chintapalli
  - Approved by Amy Hoffmann and Erica Kerr
- Treasurers Report – Samantha Stanley
  - March beginning checkbook balance of \$22,565.62 and ending balance of \$27,472.83.
- 1<sup>st</sup> VP Report - Didi Vega
  - Apparel
    - Didi is planning of uploading the inventory to memberhub.
  - Specialty Apparel
    - 21 orders came in, they will be delivered after spring break in May.
  - Variety Show Medal
    - 70 medals were ordered, 50 where presold, and 20 extra to sell at the variety show.
  - Mets Game
    - Coming up this Saturday, sold 106 tickets.
  - Spring Pictures – Chairperson Jennifer Bailey and Holly Kennedy
    - They have reached for volunteers, are mostly ready for the event.
  - Bookfair – Chairperson Kim Panek
    - Would like to post information on parent square, it's a buy on get one sale.
  - Mothers Day Sale – Chairperson Carla Chintapalli
    - A save the date was posted to the Abbey Lane Facebook, more information to follow.
  - Smashburger/Kidz Toys Sale – Chairperson Stacey Grady
    - Smashburger, 20% of orders go to Abbey Lane PTA as long as we mention Abbey Lane.
    - Kidz Toy Sale, a local toy store would like to do a fundraiser were a portion of the sale from a designated day will be donated to the PTA.
  - Annual Fundraiser
    - Overall a good night, had good feedback, some people have ideas on what the prizes could be for next year.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report – Erica Kerr

- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - Yearbook is done, was submitted on Friday and we should have it before the picnic on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, hoping to have them for certain the end of May.
  - The 5<sup>th</sup> grade social picnic is upcoming, looking for volunteers.
- Field Day
  - Will be 5/29, we are working on ordering Tshirts. Reached out for volunteers.
- Graduation Signs – Chairperson Gabriella Fonseca
  - Details on the signs were finalized, people can now order it. Dr Maurer posted in on parent square, we have had 40 orders already.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Report
  - Elementary/Secondary Curriculum – Representative Holly Kennedy
    - No Meeting, looking for a representative for the next meeting, she cannot attend.
  - Food Service – Janine Quigley Reported
    - The kids like the food, the kitchen runs well.
  - Health/Safety Awareness
    - No report
  - SEPTA – Holly Kennedy Reported
    - They wrapped up their Miss Chocolate fundraiser.
  - Transportation – Representative Gabriella Fonseca
    - 4/19 is the meeting, nothing to report.
  - Staff Rec Luncheon – Chairperson Holly Kennedy, Jane Yun and Sue Gallina
    - During teacher appreciation week, the PTA will be serving lunch for teachers and staff. Reached for volunteers, the theme is “Celebrate our sweet teachers and staff”. Collecting money or gifts for raffles.
- 4<sup>th</sup> VP Report
  - No report
- Corresponding Secretary Report - Jane Yun
  - No report
- Delegate Report
  - No report
- Special Committees
  - No Report
- Standing Committees
  - Cultural Arts – Representative Holly Kennedy
    - One program past, three more coming up and then we are done for the year.
  - Membership
    - No changes no report
  - Nominating Committee – Chairperson Amy Hoffmman
    - The slate was presented last March, there have been no additional nominations.
    - Hearing no further nominations for the office, the chair declared the nominations for the following positions closed:

- Co-Presidents – Jeanine Quigley and Rebecca McCrea
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Didi Vega
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Amy Hoffmann
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President – Holly Kennedy
  - Treasurer – Jennifer Bailey
  - Recording Secretary – Carla Chintapalli
  - Corresponding Secretary – Jane Yun
  - Delegates are Reina Brown, Heather Burns, Eva Campolli, Gabriella Fonseca, Kim Panek, Michele Sewitch and Sarah Tamberelli.
  - There were no further nominations, the chairperson declared the nominations for all offices closed.
  - In May there will be an installation of all officers.
- Audit
  - March 26<sup>th</sup> there was a meeting, they went over the budget, it was found to be in good order.
- Principals Report – Dr Maurer
  - Thanked for all the hard work for the fundraiser, got good feedback. Recognized the volunteers hard work and how all the efforts really do benefit the kids. Variety Show is coming up, has over 166 kids, incorporating the lower grades into the show. 710 tickets are available and they sell out every year. Half of the funds raised goes to scholarships, the other half goes to covering the cost of the show. Dr Maurer doesn't put pressure on the teachers or students to do well on the ELA test.
  - Erica Kerr suggested a keyboarding class, Dr Maurer said there may be some keyboarding incorporated into a new program.
  - Mrs. Ferrari
    - ELA test is upcoming, is untimed, and will take place on the child's chromebook. Test takes about an hour, maybe a little longer for older grades. Parents can opt out of the test, the children who aren't taking the test are taken to a different location.
    - Multicultural Climate committee
      - There was a program where students share a phrase in their language and they would use it during that day. Was a popular program, they will be doing it again in April.
    - This month is Autism Awareness month, there are various activities happening in the school.
- Unfinished Business
- New Business

Adjournment Time: 7:56pm

