

Abbey Lane PTA 2024-2025
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2024

- Call to Order: 7:03pm
- Welcome – Co-Presidents – Jeanine Quigley and Rebecca McCrea
 - There was a letter of resignation handed in from the previous first Vice President. The PTA board held an emergency meeting, and a new First Vice President was elected, Heather Burns.
- Reflections – Wendy Herman
 - Went over Reflections deadlines, encouraged anyone with any questions to reach out.
- Approval of Minutes - Recording Secretary – Carla Chintapalli
 - Approved by Kim Panek and Loretta Rolon, minutes will be filed as written.
- Treasurers Report – Jenn Bailey
 - For date range of 10/01/24-10/31/24 There is a beginning balance of: \$31,700.59. Ending Balance of: \$20,141.75.
- 1st VP Report – Heather Burns
 - Apparel – Laura Castro
 - The specialty apparel sale is closed and will be opened back up in February. The regular apparel sale is ongoing.
- Picture Retake Day – Reported by Heather Burns
 - Went smoothly, got all the pictures we needed.
- Book Fair – Chairperson Kim Panek
 - Everything went smoothly.
- Pie Sale – Rebecca McCrea reported
 - Pick up will be November 26th.
- Secret Store – Chairperson Sue Gallina
 - Explained what secret store is. Deck the Halls event in the school, is December 18th where the kids can shop with parents.
 - This is a new vendor, unsure of what the return policy is.
- SmashBurger Fundraiser – Chairperson Stacy Grady
 - December 11th, 30% of all sales will be donated to the Abbey Lane PTA if you mention Abbey Lane.
- Annual Fundraiser – Chairperson – Amy Hoffmann and Laura Castro
 - The date is 3/21.
 - Went over what the fundraiser is, why it's important. There will be bingo.
- 2nd VP Report – Amy Hoffman
 - 5th Grade

- Mr Rossi has been helping, the 5th grade banner is up. The theme is Olympics. She received all the shirt sizes, they will be ordered soon.
 - January there will be a 5th grade fundraiser. Funds help pay for the 5th grade social and yearbooks. Most events happen at the end of the school year.
- 3rd VP Report – Holly Kennedy
 - Elementary/Secondary Curriculum – Representative Holly Kennedy
 - No report, the next meeting will be December 2nd.
 - Food Service – Representative Loretta Rolon
 - Kids tend to enjoy foods, all temperatures were good. Over 100 kids are taking free breakfast. Talked about the ways for parents to get access to the menu.
 - Health/Safety Awareness – No report
 - SEPTA – Representative Heather Burns
 - This Friday they are having their family fun night. Encouraged people to be a member, funds raised goes towards a scholarship. Reported that often the speakers at the event are very informative.
- Transportation – Representative Gabriella Fonseca
 - 43 drivers 17 assistants, talking about reaching out to an agency to hire bus attendants. The electric bus requirements is currently on hold. The expectation is for one electric bus and for a full fleet of electric is by 2035.
- 4thth VP Report – No Report
 - Corresponding Secretary Report – Jane Yun – No report
- Delegate Report
 - Kim Panek - Board of Education
 - MacArthur Highschool has a drama performance. Mentioned the #booklove club.
- Special Committees – no report
- Standing Committees
 - Cultural Arts – Representative Holly Kennedy
 - The 4th grade cultural arts program just came in, Native American program.
 - 12/4 there will be a schoolwide program do a Charlotte's Web program.
- Membership – Representative Loretta Rolon
 - Spoke about how many members we have and where the membership fees are spent.
- Nominating Committee
 - Rebecca McCrea reached out for volunteers, mentioned it consists of three board members and two general members.
 - Sue Gallina Sherri Cannata volunteered as general members for the committee.

- Principal's Report – Dr Maurer
 - Played a video of the multi-cultural night. There were over 200 people at the multi-cultural night. The event was overall a success.
 - Mrs. Ferrari
 - Went over when the first trimester ends, parent teacher conferences are upcoming.
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
 - Jeanine Quigley raised a motion to change a line on the budget from to "Variety Show" to "School Clubs", motion passed.
 - Rebecca McCrea informed the meeting that the National PTA will be increasing their dues for next school year. Proposed that we change the bylaws and increase our dues with the national increase. Students \$6 and staff and parents \$12.
 - Deadline for Honorary life submission is Friday, info is on parent square.

Adjournment Time: 7:36pm

Minutes Written by Carla Chintapalli