

FRANKLIN AVENUE MIDDLE SCHOOL
GENERAL PTA MEMERSHIP MEETING
November 4, 2016

Attendance:

Board Members: Laura Metzler, Christina Tillsley, Laura Strickland, Jennifer Bedrin, Renee Cardaci

Guests: Dr. Furnari , Mr. Keiser, Mrs. Prunk, Mrs. Larson, Miss Costopoulous, and Ms. Pastenkos

Members: Please see attached attendance sheet

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to order: PTA President, Laura Metzler called the meeting to order at 9:30am and welcomed all in attendance.

Recording Secretary Report: Christina circulated minutes from the last meeting. They were also posted on the website. Lana Sherman King approved the minutes and Missy Boland seconded the motion.

Dr. Furnari:

Pathways to student success at the November 15th meeting

Discussed trying to track how the 9th graders are doing when they come together with the other FLOW districts in High School. There are FLOW curriculum collaborations in process.

Technology advancements. We are a leader in the one to one initiative. Other schools are reaching out to follow our lead.

We are a registered school. Next year we will apply for a Bronze level.

Principal Report Mr. Keiser:

Thank you to the PTA for encouraging spirit with string bags, use of logo (PTA agenda logo needs to change)

6th Graders had an amazing trip to Frost Valley and came back with new friendships.

Week of Respect and Red Ribbon Week Thank you to the PTA. Matt Bellace was the speaker who discussed natural highs. He was a huge hit with the students.

Boys soccer team made it to the championship finals.

PLC trip to Gettysburg is next week.

Dec 1 and Dec 2 are school conferences and half days. Dec 1 is evening from 7-9 and Dec 2 is afternoon from 1-3. It is an open forum and there is no need to make an appointment.

Website update including viewing of the new FAMS A CLOSER LOOK and promoted the Twitter Feed (we have 37 followers)

Mrs. Pastenkos, technology

reported the results of the digital learning survey (full results are on her web page) This is a state created NJ digital survey. Franklin Lakes received an overall 7.9 in reaction and 6.5 for implementation.

Look for a new survey coming out shortly

Guidance: Ms. Cotsopoulos

Thank you for week of respect and Red Ribbon week

Students signed the red ribbon pledge and placed ribbons outside the school in honor of the pledge.

Treasurers Report: Laura Strickland updated with any questions the audience might have had. There were none. She addressed the lower number of PTA dues and ways we can word next years signup sheet so people understand PTA dues better.

Correspondence: There were none- Renee Cardaci

Committee Reports

Jennifer Bedrin

Spoke of need for lunch volunteers for all lunch programs as well as the snack shop. Please use sign up genius and thank you to all who have volunteered.

Thank you to Christine DeVincent and all the volunteers who helped with the bookfair.

Thank you to Missy Bolen for doing the Patriots Breakfast

Priscilla Thoma for Red Ribbon Week

Gave positive feedback from the students for the green smoothies supplied by Nicholas Market.

Laura Metzler, PTA Business

PLC is holding a turkey drive

There will be a small holiday boutique during lunch hours on Dec 19-21 to help fund the PTA in particular assist with the 8th grade field trip.

The directory is going to print soon and should be placed in homeroom mail boxes this upcoming month.

MEETING ADJOINED AT 10:30