



PTA meeting minutes September 17th, 2018

Attendees: Patricia Salamone, Jovan Rashford, Christianne Tomao, Grace LiMandri, Jasmine Galia, Susan Weir, Carol Leone, Erin Burmester, Chrissy Tzorbatzoglou, Erica D'Urso, Jenny Chin, Anna Dimilta, Grace Lee Sim

Speaker: Jovan Rashford, Co- President

7:25 PM, Mrs. Rashford thanked everyone for attending and welcomed everyone back from summer break. Mrs. Rashford then called the meeting to order. She mentioned that we have met the quorum for the meeting and asked all in favor of waiving the Pledge Of Allegiance since the flag was not visible – YES 53/53. She also asked, all in favor of waiving the reading of the June 2018 meeting minutes – YES 53/53. She then introduced herself and the entire Eboard did as well:

Jovan Rashford Co-President

Patricia Salamone – Co-President

Christianne Tomao – Recording Secretary

Erica D'Urso – Treasurer

Chrissy Tzorbatzoglou- Co VP

Erin Burmester – Co VP

Susan Weir – Box tops coordinator

Michelle Gatt – hospitality

Fran Assaf – hospitality

Jasmine Galia – Co fundraising

Grace LiMandri – Co fundraising

Jenny Chin – corresponding secretary

Carol Leone – volunteer coordinator

Speaker: Patricia Salamone, Co-President

Mrs. Salamone thanked everyone for coming and encouraged everyone to attend meetings and to also please follow the Facebook page and refer to the bulletin outside of the school. She then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Dimilta.

Speaker: Anna Dimilta, President

- **Welcome and updates**
- **New Rewards program**
- **Student initiatives**
- **Growth mindset**
- **Funding**
- **Questions/comments**

Welcome and school update

Mrs. Dimilta welcomed everyone to the 2018-2019 school year and thanked the current PTA presidents.

She then gave a staff introduction:

Pre-K: Mrs. Baltecas/Mrs. Tchanoas

K: Mrs. Hogan, Ms. Kamaradire, Mrs. Prete

1st: Mrs. Sotiriou, Mrs. Dahan/Mrs. Trilivias, Mrs. Friere

2nd: Mrs. Fitlin, Mrs. Oliviera, Mrs. Ricupero/Ms. Black

3rd: Mrs. Wong, Mrs. Zapata, Mrs. DiGugliermo/Mrs. Abruzzino

4th: Ms. Korn, Ms. Blanco, Ms. Dixon/Ms. Lee

5th: Mrs. LaMicela, Mrs. Guzman, Mrs. Baker/Ms. Fallier

K-2 bridge: Lisa Impoco

Mrs. Pitelli – IEP teacher

Mrs. Drauch – gym

Mr. Adam, Mr. Jaffe, Mr. Cashman

Mrs. Acquista

Ms. Luck – school psychologist

Mrs. Baker

Mrs. Lee

We are thrilled that we have a full dance program and a K-4 music program, we were able to have this throughout the school year being that the media teacher retired.

Mrs. Dimilta mentioned that we would receive the \$800,000 camera system most likely by the end of the school year.

We also received \$400,000 in technology and Assemblyman Bronstein is giving us a grant for \$75,000 for promethium board use.

We will have an additional lunch period this year which will allow all students to go outside for recess, we will only have 3 classes go out at a time.

New Rewards program

New "Rocket" rewards program

Student initiatives

Social emotional initiative

Safety first

Respect for all

Bucket fuller Initiative – no bullying

Algebra for all – district wide – 8th graders in 2021 will have opportunity to take Algebra regents

Growth mindset

The idea behind this is to make homework more doable.

There's also a new ULIT initiative that by 2nd grade everyone should be on grade level for reading.

Mrs. Dimilta mentioned we look forward to a very productive school year.

Funding

Mrs. McHugh and Mrs. Tibbets were not able to come back this year because of funding. Each time a student registers it brings in more funding.

Questions/comments

Speaker: Patricia Salamone, Co-President

- **Meg Baker topics, Parent Coordinator**
- **Treasurer's report, Erica D'Urso**
- **Nominations**
- **Fundraisers**

- **Box tops update, Susan Weir**
- **Questions/comments**

Mrs. Salamone turned the meeting over to Mrs. Baker

Speaker: Meg Baker, Parent Coordinator

Mrs. Baker requested that parents send email addresses to be added to the email list. She also mentioned there's a new after school program called New York Academy.

We are working on monthly workshop ideas.

Please continue to support the Stop and Shop fundraiser.

Speaker: Erica D'Urso, Treasurer:

Balance: \$8,405.84

Speaker: Patricia Salamone, Co-President

Please support the membership drive you will receive an envelope within the next week. We welcome any donation amount.

Nominations

CEC representative: These are generally held the 1st week of the month. The rep will then report to the PTA meeting and report on their findings. Mrs. Salamone asks if anyone is interested in being CEC representative. A notice will also be sent out.

Open SLT positions:

- (1) 1 year position
- (2) 2 year positions

A notice will be going home on this as well and we will have an October 22nd election.

Speaker: Jovan Rashford, Co-president

Upcoming fundraisers:

McDonald's Night: September 26th from 5-8pm

Picture day: Thursday October 4th

Halloween dance: October 26th

Movie Night: November 16th

There will be 6 pizza days and no ice cream sales this year.

Please continue to support Amazon smile and stop and shop.

Speaker: Susan Weir, Box tops coordinator

Please continue to clip box tops, it is an easy way to raise money for the school

Questions/Comments

Next meeting 10/22/18

Meeting adjourned 8:09pm

Prepared by Christianne Tomao, Recording Secretary