



Minutes – January 22, 2024

PTA president Christina Yazbek called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Quorum met with 12 members logged on. Tonilyn Riccardi- 1st V.P., Diana Armandi-Treasurer, Johana Tedesco- Secretary, and Mrs. Kimball- Principal, were in attendance. Christina Minetto- 2nd V.P. was absent.

Secretary's Report (given by Christina Yazbek)

- 12 members logged on. Quorum met.
- Communication Methods: Remind: Text @bostipta to the number 81010, Facebook: Bosti PTA group, Gmail: bostipta@gmail.com & Website: bostipta.org.
- Mrs. Kimball emailed the December minutes, budget, and agenda to the membership. No discussion took place; proceeded with vote. 7 ayes, 0 nays. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report (Diana Armandi)

- Current balance in bank account is \$19, 521.18.
- Holiday Fair: collected \$7,788.25, paid \$6,478.25, profit was \$1,310.00.
- Fall Apparel: received \$270.44.
- Family Fun Night (Bingo): we spent \$674.55 on food, drinks, and prizes.

President's Report (Christina Yazbek)

- Wizards game is Wednesday, February 28th at 7 PM at Connetquot High School. Tickets are available. Flyers went home and are posted on Facebook and the Bosti PTA website. Bosti is working on a golf raffle basket for the event. We are working on getting donations for the basket. The Wizards will be visiting Bosti tomorrow (January 23rd) for a short assembly.
- Winter Wishes took place December 20th. Frosty and Santa visited each classroom handing out gifts bought by our PTA. Thank you to Diana, Frosty, and Santa for making the event so magical.
- Safer Internet Day is February 6th. We are signed up for a free virtual workshop about social media, online gaming, and Internet safety best practices. Virtual Workshop is on Tuesday, February 13th at 9 PM. Parents are encouraged to sign in. Any school with at least 5 participants is eligible for a raffle to win a \$100 Amazon gift card for the PTA. Three people will also be selected to win a \$50 Amazon gift card for themselves.

Report of Standing Committees

- **Membership:** Currently we have 187 members. Our goal is 216 members for the year. Membership is ongoing, not too late to join.
- **Cultural Arts:** Still working on booking programs for all the grades. Options have been presented for Pre-K, Third, and Fourth Grades.

1st Vice President's Report (Tonilyn Riccardi)

- Family Fun Night was January 5th. It was a good turnout. Thank you: Mary Brush for chairing, Mike Dunne for calling, and all the volunteers who helped serve food, check cards, distribute prizes, etc.
- Someone Special Dance is February 9th. Flyers were sent home. Noelle Belmonte is chairing. There are 2 sessions. We will have a dj, crafts, sensory tent, and light refreshments. Tickets are \$5, first come, first served.

Anyone who wants to volunteer should email the Bosti PTA.

2nd Vice President's Report (given by Christian Yazbek)

- Island Empanada Fundraiser is Tuesday, January 30th. It runs all day from 11 AM to 9 PM. Island Empanada is donating back 10% of sales to our PTA.

Principal's Report (Mrs. Kimball)

- Proposed budget was sent to Central and approved.
- An email was sent to parents reminding them about cold weather safety – appropriate clothing and safe practices regarding running for the bus in icy conditions.
- Mrs. Kraska and Mr. Ingarozza will be playing in the Wizards game.
- February 9th is PS I Love You Day. Wear purple in support of mental health awareness.
- Testing simulations for state tests were conducted. It went really well. Fifth graders that are taking the state tests are required to take them on the computer this year.
- Mid year Reading and Math assessments are taking place in the next two weeks.
- DASA Week begins February 12th. A schedule of the themes and what to wear will be going home.

Report of Informative Committees

- **Board of Education Report** – Lee Cullen reported that the budget and taxes were discussed. Need to promote Wizards fundraiser emphasized.
- **Co-Council Report:** Christina Yazbek reported
 - Council worked out details regarding raffle baskets and sponsorships for the Wizards game. Schools were asked to add the event to the digital signs.
 - Wrightslaw Training on Special Education Laws being presented by Suffolk Region PTA on Saturday, February 3rd from 9 AM - 4 PM. Cost is \$55. Registration deadline is January 25th.
 - Dangers of Fentanyl and Drug Use workshop being presented January 30th from 7-8 PM at CHS. Presented by Connetquot School District Drug & Alcohol Task Force and the Suffolk County DA. Game/Paint Night for elementary students while parents attend workshop. Register by QR code if bringing an elementary aged child with you.
- **Site Based Management Team Meeting (Mrs. Kimball)** met 12/20 @ 8:35 AM.
Team discussed Bosti Bucks returning, improvement to noise volume at recess, success of emoji chart system, a visit by the Suffolk County Water Authority, and extra help for the new math program.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Announcements

- SBMT Meeting – January 24th at 8:35 AM
- Island Empanada – January 30th
- PJ Day – January 30th
- Early Dismissal – February 2nd
- Someone Special Dance – February 9th - session 1: 5:30-7 PM, session 2: 7:30-9 PM
- PS I Love You Day (wear purple) – February 9th

Next Virtual PTA Meeting – Monday, February 12th at 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM with 11 people logged on.