

# Burr PTA Meeting Minutes

## November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Meeting was started Zia zoom 1:07pm

October minutes were approved.

### **Founder's Day**

Mrs. Butler was award advocate award. Mr. Schmelter and Mrs. Forbes were present in the room to honor her.

Tracey Decena received the honor for all her effort and Support over the past years. Tara Terry surprised her at her home outside..... with a bouquet of flowers and everyone attending meeting was able to see.

CONGRATULATIONS

### **Treasure Report:**

Currently we have \$55,095.93 in our account.

### **Council Report:**

Covid guidelines, quarantine procedures-we all got that email which came out Nov 2nd.

Who has to quarantine:

A is covid positive (has to quarantine)

B came into contact with covid positive case (has to quarantine)

C knows B (sibling, spouse, those do not have to quarantine)

Snow Days

No such thing this year, we will transition to e learning, only buildings will be closed. They are still working on details on all of this.

Sign up for Safe Homes

Food drive is done through Deb Virga. If you are in need of food or know anyone that does contact her. Everything is confidential.

NYS PTA wants to switch from member hub to stripe. Treasurer should do it because of checking account information.

Reflections entries are due Nov 20

Nov 20th reflections due  
Nov 24 training

BJs did get approved

Reb Robin will be Geico

Founders Day, 3 donations already. Photography session, hotel and spa donation.

Pta council honors  
Advocate in action Nicole Kregler  
Toni Newman honorary life membership

All units have to announce their honorees in November, honorees have to be cleared. One time honoree in a lifetime not per school.

Grants are posted on National PTA website

Nutrition might meet virtually again.

Picture retakes will be available on a Saturday. Have to bring pictures and use the sign up link. Photographers are not going to schools. Nov 21st Saturday. He can fill over 200 students in one day. If he overbooks that day, they will figure out something else for an extra day if they need it. If you can't make it on that Saturday, contact EAP so you can do a picture retake in their studio.

Remote learners will be in all yearbooks for k-5. 1st graders have their own classes and their own teachers, from all schools.

Reflections- K-12 submissions due Nov 20.

Nov 24 sbmt meeting, had not met yet

## **Principal Report:**

Currently we have two classes that are quarantined. Trying to have some fun at school, Wednesday the students will wear class t-shirts and Friday is Spirit day. Trying to take pictures of the children with social distance in place. Photo re-take is scheduled for November 21<sup>st</sup> @

Ceder rd. December 2<sup>nd</sup> is the last day of the 1<sup>st</sup> marking period. No Hard copies will be disturbed. Report cards will be on the parent portal. Kicking off pajama drive, this year it will be an on-line program with direct link. We will also host a toy-drive. Wednesday before the Thanksgiving Day break we will have burring in the class and Mr. Schmelter or Mrs. Forbes will read out the number and prizes will be disturbed. Breakfast program has begun and it will be disturbed to everyone no pre-order needed. Please be aware that children will be going outside, as ;long as the temperate doesn't reach below 25F. Currently coat drive is NOT happening. Too difficult to have coat brought into the building.

### **School Board Report:**

The Board of Education Meeting took place on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:55pm New York State school board association presented Mr. Hartman board president with an appreciation letter for volunteering to be a presenter at their annual convention and taking part in their round table panel.

COVID procedures effective November 11 by the Department of Health states only those who are in "close contact" with a positive case must be quarantined. "close contact" by definition within six feet for 10 minutes or more over a 24 hr period.

Current COVID averages are presented by a Target Metric for a geographic area within New York State. The rolling average of COVID positivity is broken down into three categories.

Yellow at 2.5% for 10 days schools would stay open with a mandatory testing for 20% of students and staff for in person settings. Orange at 3% schools are closed and remote learning will take place and Red at 4% will remain the same as well. The most reoccurring question for the superintendent is "If COVID restrictions are lifted will we reopen brick and mortar schools full time." The answer is Yes but it will require time to make the transition back in. Maintaining the right schedules for students, food service etc.

New York State proposed aid will be cut by 20% throughout the state and will affect the district between 6-8 million the expectation is there will be another state aid cut for the coming year. There is a potential sale of an Auxiliary Property in process. Nothing is sold without the community voting on approval.

We our participating in the suffolk county police department share program with immediate remote access to all surveillance systems. Should an emergency exist they have access to take over cameras and relay any information to personnel responding. The school districts Energy Performance contracts projects are underway including roof replacements, boilers, lighting, and additional energy upgrades. The next Board of Education meeting will take place on Thursday December 17 2020

### **PTA President Report:**

Commack will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will also be hosting a Toy Drive. Thank you all for attending meeting.

### **SEPTA:**

Monthly meeting are being held for support for parents. They are selling water bottles for \$14.00 Next meeting is January.

### **SITE BASE:**

No Meeting this month.

### **Spirit Wear:**

All good, waiting for after the new year to purchase items.

### **Holiday Boutique:**

Sale ends next Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>. Info is available on Facebook on the burr PTA website.

### **Yearbook:**

Doing their best they can, flyer is going to be sent via email for directions how to upload pictures.

### **Guest Speaker:**

**Gena Riley**

