

# Virtual Zoom Meeting

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**August 13, 2020**

## ATTENDEES

Vega, Alexis M, Walsh, Moran, Carolina, Bobroff, Casey, DiGiovanni, Toth, Dana, Danielle R, Doree, Lavezzo, Sine, Bhatti, Steiner, Rosen, Irma, O'Connor, Hidalgo, Piccoli, Stevenson, Marsh, Katy, Davella, Farka, Lindsey, Massaroni, Destefano, Huegel, Maeve, Autret, Favrell, Chnapko, Mia, Cox, Rafiei, Sean O, Schlosser, Thomas, Vincent, Varayanan, Viviane, Ramos, Farley

## MEETING DETAILS

### Called to Order

- President Cindy Mehta called the meeting to order @ 7:38 P.M.

### June Meeting Minutes

- June meeting minutes approved by Gabrielle Steiner & Kris Huegel

### Spring Fundraiser

- Total \$10,0000, earmarked for school reopening
- Lunch donations equaled \$20,000.
  - Thank you to everyone who participated and for all donations

### PTA Funds

- Executive decision made to use earmarked funds for the purchase of masks, tents, and sanitizing cannons. Total of \$3,850
- Items that still need to be purchased:
  - Lunch cooler
  - Sanitizing wash for technology devices
- Teacher's wish list (will provide portability if EFS goes remote)

- 52 Bins / Carts (\$4,000)
- Oil Pastels (\$265)
- Watercolor Trays (\$410)
- Additional Brushes (\$235)
- Clipboards (\$570)
- Dry Erase Boards / Markers / Erasers (\$425)
- Calculations for 6th Grade (\$1,150)
- Chalk (\$1,000)
- Total: \$8,055
- Vote was conducted for the approval of the teachers wish list
  - 29 affirmative votes
- In light of current events, a vote was conducted to temporarily increase PTA ability to spend up to \$1,500 without immediate approval
  - 29 affirmative votes
  - Each purchase will be reported at the next PTA meeting

### **PPE / Picnic Lunch Accessories**

- PTA will supply each child/teacher with a school branded mask
- Additional masks can be purchased while supplies last
  - Adult/child size
  - EFS color scheme
- Lanyard for securing a face mask around the neck available
- Antimicrobial face mask pouch that can hook to a backpack or belt loop available
  - While supplies last - purchase at the online store in MobilArq
- PTA is also offering the following:
  - Stadium seating folding chairs that are easy to carry
  - Towel
  - Blanket
  - All items can be personalized - more info to come

### **Class Parents**

- Will be chosen when class lists come out

### **School Apparel**

- Gabrielle Steiner

- Online store will be open 9/11 to 9/25
- Must order in time frame, no exceptions
- Multiple styles, won't reintroduce in the future
- \$5 off for teachers
- Spend over \$75 - free shipping to home
- Spend under \$75, small fee for home shipping or pick up at Gabrielle Steiner's house.
- Orders will ship 2-3 weeks after 9/25

### **PTA Contribution**

- Class Dues - 1 per Family
- Class Contribution - 1 per Individual Family
- Staff Gifts - 1 Per Family (Holiday / End of Year)
- Payable through the online store in MobilArq

### **Upcoming Events**

- Cocktail party cancelled
- Remote back to school night
- On-site book fair
  - Details to come
- Mum sale still on
  - Outside pickup - ordering info in summer packet
- Pumpkin hunt
  - Details to come
- School pictures postponed until April
  - Photographer willing to do a possible composite of kids for class picture

### **Rolling Pickup / Drop-Off**

- Volunteers needed - contact-less. Platform to be used for pickup and drop off. Pre-k parents please avoid parking on Essex Road. That street will be utilized more than ever now. Parking is available on the hill, next to the smaller playground. Kinders will get some assistance with opening the car door at pickup if necessary.

### **Foundation Update**

- A grant was approved by the foundation for EFS to offer optional social well-being meeting sessions. Kids can talk to the school therapist during designated day / time for grade level. Email with details was sent earlier this month.
- Masks required, temperature checks, tented area
- Email Mrs. Leggit if interested
- Any questions, contact Mrs. Gadaleta or Laura Davella

### **Mrs. Gadaleta's Report**

- Thank you to the PTA for all "return to school" contributions
- EFS received \$13,000 from the The Cares Act
- Classroom / school photos will be in EF Magazine
- Instagram will have classroom / school photos for parents to view once teachers set everything up
- EFS is EPA certified
- School has air purifiers for every room, antimicrobial spray for equipment, playground, as well as HEPA filters.
- There will be scheduled hand washing

### **Q and A**

- Q: If kids are learning outside for a longer period of time, will they have proper seating? What will be used?
  - A: Kids will bring out classroom chairs or portable stadium chair/towel if purchased from PTA.
- Q: Will Patrols be available for walkers / bikers during all pickup and drop-off times?
  - A: Yes.
- Q: Do Parents need to purchase Pre-K school supplies?
  - A: No, school has all Pre-K supplies necessary.

Meeting adjourned 8:42 PM