

PTO Executive Board Meeting  
Friday, May 18, 2018  
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**Presidents' Report (Debra Stephans and Melanie Paxinopoulos)**

- Approved minutes from 3/16 meeting
- Fieldstone Career Day (6/12) – There will be eight 20-minute sessions, Stein's will donate bagels and fruit, Franco's will donate heroes, need volunteers to set up breakfast and lunch, and need to finalize key note speakers
- Fieldstone MVP Breakfast (6/14) - Will take place during Period 1 for a third year in a row, MVP cards reward random acts of kindness, parents are welcome to attend, and will need 2-3 volunteers to serve breakfast
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic (6/15)
- Will send 5/25 Pizza Blast at Memorial ES
- Will send PTO blast to 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents requesting 2 chairs regarding 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance to book event, and previous chairs should give guidelines to new co-chairs
- PTO Co-President Deb Stephans requested that Dr. Petersen send a district-wide message to parents to communicate that buses are safe and that the district is in touch with the bus company to double check safety records

**VP Report on Class Parents (Cindy Merlino and Tara Hill)**

Memorial:

- Class parents should provide any leftover class money to PTO Treasurer
- Toolkits will be delivered at the beginning of June; need volunteers to help sort and organize kits for pick-up. Will announce date and time soon.

Fieldstone:

- 5th Grade World Cafe Day was 3/29. Students got a taste of foods from France and Spain. Thank you to all Class Parents who helped out with this event.
- Career Day - Tuesday, 6/12
- MVP Breakfast - Thursday, 6/14
- Field Days - Monday, 6/11 for 6th & 7th Grades and Wednesday, 6/13 for 5th Grade
- 8th Grade BBQ is Thursday, 6/21
- Book Fair at IMC on the last day of school

**Treasurer's Report (Annette Vozzolo)**

- Results of March and April Fundraisers (Trivia Night - \$5,385, Toolboxes - \$667, Box Tops - \$285, and Art Show is not finalized)
- PTO Sponsored Assemblies (Fieldstone: "Chinese Act" - \$795, "The Brain Show" - \$1,800, and "Mr. Nicky Educational Music Performance"- \$850; Memorial: Outragehiss Pets - K assembly - \$525, and "Jline Dance Crew" - entire school - \$1,195)
- Other PTO sponsored events (4th Grade Tile Art - \$769, Night of the Arts - \$431, and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon at both Fieldstone and Memorial – paid for in the amount of \$2,072)

- There is no money coming in for the book fair because the PTO pays Scholastic for books that the children buy
- The PTO will be sponsoring T-shirts for all Memorial Elementary School students on behalf of the character education program featuring Memorial MAC

#### **Corresponding Secretary (Mrs. D'Amaro)**

- Thank you for the Teacher Appreciation Luncheons at both schools in early May
- Assembly programs have been great
- The kids are excited to receive and wear their T-shirts on Character Education Day on 5/29
- Staff are happy about the new air conditioners for the 3d and 4th grade wings at Memorial as well as a few classrooms at Fieldstone, which will create a comfortable learning environment

#### **Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Darren Petersen**

- Brief moment of silence for Paramus bus accident
- PARCC testing went well for grades 3-8, and it all happened in one week with the help of one-to-one devices; one computer for every student
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheons were great and everyone enjoyed them
- Continue to encourage people to be PTO members and volunteer
- Excited about MES air conditioning starting at the end of the year
- Will add air conditioning units at Fieldstone Middle School via school budget
- Monday BOE meeting on 5/21 and will invite students from the BIG production
- End of year is busy and next BOE meeting is on 6/11

#### **Assistant Principal of MES, Mr. Pellegrino**

- 25 people visited Memorial Elementary School for the balanced literacy program
- Donated lights and bags for the Path of Kindness and Art Sale on 4/26
- Book Fair happened in May
- Individual Kindergarten screening will happen on 5/23
- Mrs. Ripston will coordinate STEM on 5/25
- Character Education Day will take place on 5/29 (day after Memorial Day)
  - Students and staff will wear the same light blue Memorial MAC T-shirts for unity
  - Jline Dance Crew will perform on 5/29 for the school's assembly
  - Reflection Activity will include students building letters for a CARES acronym
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade science fair on 6/5
- Band concert on 6/7
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade picnic on 6/15
- MSI (Montvale Summer Institute) will begin on Monday, 7/2 for four weeks for grades K-4
  - Kindergarten will learn ABC's/123's and grades 1-4 will have Essential Learning
  - Middle School Boot Camp will take place from 7/30 to 8/3 for an hour of math and an hour of Language Arts

**Principal of FMS, Mrs. McCormack**

- Administered an online science assessment for grades 5-8 and students handled it well - Mrs. Walker, Fieldstone's guidance counselor and testing coordinator, collaborated efforts
- BOGO (buy one, get one free) Scholastic Book Fair ended on 5/18 – Thank you to Tammy King – students stocked up on books for the summer
- BIG play – no issues, high school kids worked with middle school kids, and Mrs. Austin coordinated the cast
- Fieldstone MS will have its Talent Show on 5/30, \$5 tickets for grades 5-8, and Mr. Scherer and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are organizing it
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade will have authentic learning opportunity in Washington D.C. from Tuesday to Thursday
- Parent/Teacher Conferences on 6/5, FMS Spring Concert & Art Show on 6/6, and welcome Sr. Citizens on 6/14
- Field Days on 6/11 (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grades) and 6/13 (5<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Six Flag Trip on 6/15 for band and choir students
- Brain Show was before PARCC testing
- DARE graduation for 6<sup>th</sup> graders will include a Boulder baseball game with police officers
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance at Powerhouse Studios on 6/13, 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation on 6/20, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade BBQ on 6/21