# PTO Executive Board Meeting Friday, June 8, 2018 www.montvalepto.com

#### Presidents' Report (Debra Stephans and Melanie Paxinopoulos)

- Approved minutes from 5/18 meeting
- Thank you, our members, for all of your support in making this school year a tremendous success
- We have been able to provide assemblies such as (Fieldstone Chinese Act, the Brain Show, Mr. Nicky Educational Music Performance) and (Memorial -Outragehiss Pets, Jline Dance Crew, character education program featuring Memorial MAC and provided t-shirts for all)
- Other PTO sponsored events: 4th grade tile art, night of the arts, and teacher appreciation luncheons
- This year we are happy that the PTO will be sponsoring the purchasing and installation of all of the air conditioners for the 3d and 4th grade wings at Memorial as well as a few classrooms at Fieldstone.
- Need chairpersons for the 2018-2019 calendar year for the Holiday Boutique, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mixer, Fieldstone Fridays, and Winter Carnival. Please inquire within.
- Let us know if you're interested in serving on the PTO Board
- The Memorial Yearbook will arrive on Monday, 6/111

# VP Reports (Cindy Merlino and Tara Hill)

Memorial (Cindy):

- Thank you to Class Parents in supporting teachers and students and being so creative in organizing activities and games to celebrate special occasions and holidays over the past year, especially without food this year!
- Thank you also for sharing my emails with the parents in your classes and keeping them informed of our PTO events and fundraising efforts.
- Please do make sure you spend whatever class money you have left on an end-ofyear celebration for your classes. If you do have any class money leftover, you should provide to the PTO Treasurer, who will earmark it for your grade before the last day of school.
- Thank you to everyone who supported the Toolkit fundraiser Fieldstone (Tara):
  - Thank you to Class Coordinators for parties and World Café
  - Please give unused money to the PTO Treasurer
  - Need chairpersons for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mixer and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance
  - Field Days Monday, 6/11 for 6th & 7th Grades and Wednesday, 6/13 for 5th Grade
  - 8th Grade dance is on 6/13, graduation is on 6/20, and BBQ is on 6/21

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

• Results of May fundraisers (Art Show - \$2,000 and Memorial School Yearbook has not been finalized yet)

- PTO Sponsored Assemblies (Fieldstone: "Totally Vocally Ball in the House" paid for by PTO for \$1,960 entire school; Memorial: Character Education Committee T-Shirts – paid for by PTO for \$4,396)
- Other PTO Sponsored Events (Susan Buonocore leads the Ethel Stalter Scholarship Winner \$1,000 to Pascack Hills Senior Emily Moore)
- PTO paid for two freezers, one at each school, for a total of \$512. The freezers will arrive on 6/11 and will have them in time for Field Day at both schools.

## **Corresponding Secretary (Ms. Burkel)**

- Thank you for the Teacher Appreciation Luncheons
- Book Fair was fabulous and students are excited for their new summer reading books
- Thank you for Memorial MAC T-shirts and Montvale CARES program
- Thank you for assemblies throughout the school year

# Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Darren Petersen

- Thank you to outgoing PTO leadership
- Teachers are participating at Torch Run
- FMS Updates on behalf of McCormack/Scherer:
  - Talent Show highlighted kids' talents such as piano, singing, and roller blading
  - Athletics: Baseball knocked off by Upper Saddle River, Softball is building their team for next year, and 80 students were involved in Track & Field
  - Peer Mentor at Bergen Academies
  - Contemporary Music Assembly (grades 5-8)
  - Montvale Police Department organized the DARE graduation for 6<sup>th</sup> graders and went to Rockland Boulder Stadium for a baseball game
  - 7<sup>th</sup> grade learned about U.S. History at West Point Military Academy
  - Awesome Book Fair (BOGO) Summer Reading
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington D.C. trip was excellent and kids were incredible.
    Volunteers said that the students were great ambassadors.
  - $\circ$  5<sup>th</sup> grade orientation on 6/14 (*a*) 7pm at Fieldstone cafeteria
  - Fieldstone will have Career Day on 6/12, Wax Museum on 6/14, Six Flags Band Trip on 6/15, 8<sup>th</sup> grade gradation on 6/20, and MVP Breakfast on 6/14
- BOE will recognize PTO Executive and MEF Board Members on 6/11
- Last day of school on 6/22 at 12:55pm

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

- Character Education Day on 5/29 Memorial students and staff wore Memorial MAC T-shirts for unity, JLine Assembly/Concert, CARES team across grade levels, Mrs. Feather wrote a rap song
  - JLine used positive message of overcoming adversity
  - Reflection activity What does CARES mean to them? 5 different site locations to form small communities within one large community

- Provided credibility to character education
- Thank you to the PTO for sponsorship
- Montvale Summer Institute (MSI) will happen at each grade level
  - Individualized for math and language arts and students will work with grade level teacher for fall 2018
  - Kindergarteners will learn 123/ABC's
  - Still finalizing Book Camp for 7/30

## Principal of Memorial, Mr. Collier

- Ten days of school left!
- Thank you to PTO for assemblies, donations, kids' lunches, etc.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade math carnival on 6/13 regarding math games
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade picnic on 6/15 and volunteers must wear T-shirts
- Field Day will be on 6/18 and still need volunteers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Tech Expo will take place on 6/20
- Move up Day for the entire district on  $6/21 4^{\text{th}}$  grade will go to FMS by bus in the morning and everyone shifts to next grade level at 9:20am for an hour
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade clap out on 6/22 at 12:45pm at the Community Entrance where the entire school will come together and wear MAC T-shirts
- Staff Changes Irene Hanley (EIS/Math basic skills) retired and a Special Education teacher will replace Hanley, Mrs. LoPresti will move from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to 1<sup>st</sup> grade collaborative teacher with Mrs. Gutierrez, who will return from maternity in November
- There will be 6 sections in both Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- A lot of hiring for teachers will take place over the summer months
- The 2018-2019 School Supply list are posted on the school website
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes will be repainted and new floors will be installed
- Paving project in August will occur on the Kindergarten path, Community Entrance, side of gymnasium, and path to red shed
- Happy Father's Day to all the dads
- New electrical panel has been installed for new air conditioning installation at the end of June

#### **Induction of PTO Officers**

• New PTO Officers Judith Thomas as Co-President, Jessica Panagiotou as Treasurer, and Kristen Zoelle as Memorial Vice President were sworn in by Dr. Petersen to serve their 2-year term on the Executive Board of the Montvale PTO.

#### MEF

• Next meeting will take place on Monday, 6/18.

#### Meeting Adjourned.