

Gibran PTA General Meeting Minutes

Date: October 16, 2024, Kahlil Gibran Cafeteria, 6:30 PM.

President: Liane Rodriguez

Secretary: Karen Traynor

- Quorum established and meeting began at 6:34
 - 19 present in person and 11 present via zoom
- Previous meeting minutes (September 12 ,2024) read aloud and approved by unanimous vote.
- Treasury Report present by treasurer Jessica Erbenraut
 - Majority of fundraising conducted September through December and is to be used for enrichment and other activities
 - If you would like a copy of the report or have additional questions, please email the PTA
- Speaker: Rob Rijos, VP of NYS PTA - Role of Dads in Educational Success and PTA Engagement
 - Only 10% male participation in PTA
 - 35% increase in school attendance when males involved
 - Increase in academic success when males involved.
 - Discussed how to increase male engagement
- Updates from Principal LaBanca
 - New alarm system for school planned
 - From the school nurse: 5 out 542 students need still vaccines. The deadline for vaccines is Nov 1. Students will receive a school exclusion letter if they are not up to date on these vaccines.
 - Received approval for superintendent to give the results of ELA and math state test scores. These will be coming shortly.
 - Title1/Title 3 workshops for parents are in November. At that meeting we will review and share the status of test scores and improvements/changes made in math and ELA.
- Reviewed and discussed proposed changes to budget
 - Approved by unanimous vote.
- Reviewed enrichment requests
 - Third grade requested \$500 - \$700 for Stepping Stone. \$700 approved by unanimous vote.
- Upcoming Events
 - Halloween Dance is 10/26 and we need volunteers day of and the day before for set up.
 - Bake sale is 11/20
 - Picture retake and 8th grade pictures is 11/26
 - Next PTA meeting is 11/20
 - Charleston Wrap fundraiser went out and Poppin Popcorn will start after CW completes.

- Questions from membership
 - Will the spirit wear store be reopened? Ms. LaBanca informed it can only be opened once a season per vendor, e.g. once in the fall and once in the spring.
- New President
 - Robin Brumfield introduced herself and explained she was head of the committee to appoint a new VP and president. She explained the process and indicated that Liane Rodriguez was selected as President and VP was left vacant. She put forth a motion to accept which was approved.
- Reminder: All information regularly updated on PTA website
- Meeting adjourned 7:58