PTA Meeting In Person/Virtual 10.11.23

Called to order 7:06 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest Speakers

- Mr. Giancaspro-
 - QSAC- February 12th
 - State review
 - Encourage parents to attend parent academies
 - Emergency Updates- Make sure contact info is accurate so you can have access to any necessary information when alerts need to be sent out
 - Thank you to parents for their partnership in purchasing the extended warranties on for Chromebooks
 - Outstanding account balances for Food Services- Letters were sent out to parents if their children owed any money
 - All board meetings are televised through the YouTube Channel

Mrs. Barrale

- Great start to the new year
- o First Pep Rally on September 29th
 - Thanks to PTA for Pom Poms
 - Games and activities
- Hispanic Heritage Month
- Week of Respect
- New Motto- We Are Faust- Each letter represents something we want our students to model
- Picture day went smoothly- Retakes Dec 15th
- Great Back to School Night
- School Violence Awareness Week-Bergen County Prosecutors Office to do presentation on Cyber Safety and Bullying
- Faust Student Council- Student Speakers to do the announcements each day

• Mr. Vilardi-

- Busy start to the school year
- Recognizing- Patriots day, Week of Respect, Messages of Kindness, Hispanic Heritage Month
- Back to School Night was a great success
- Lincoln Leaders program- Check out the TV in the main lobby
 - L-Loyalty

- E- Empowered
- Each week new winners will be announced
- October 18th- Inaugural National Elementary Honor Society Ceremony
 - 20 students selected
- Today Faust and Lincoln did their Evacuation drill today to Becton High School
- Picture Day went well- Retakes Dec 15th
- Book Fair Started Today and will continue through Friday
- School Violence Awareness Week
- Red Ribbon Week starting October 23rd- Participant in photo contest

Mr. Barrow-

- Happy October
- o Thank you to all of the parents for successful back to school night
- Thank you to PTA for a great book fair and picture day
- Week of Respect Spirit Days last week
- o Fire Prevention Week- Thank you to fire department for coming to the building
- Halloween- Check notices that went home regarding this

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Questions

Agenda

Correspondence

- Mr. Barrow, Mr. Vilardi, Mrs. Barrale- Thank you for welcome back breakfast and Wildcat Folders for all students
- Mrs. Barrale- Donation of Pom Poms
- Mr. G

Treasurer's Report

Reports are posted on the PTA page on the district website

Membership

- Links are available on PTA on district website
- Links available on the PTA Facebook page
- 164 members currently- Still inputting names into the membership hub

McKenzie & Lincoln

- Classroom parents/reps still needed for some classes
- Looking forw

8th Grade Committee- Yuk

- Asking for donations to kick off fundraising
- Will be posting on social media

Will be asking parents to volunteer to chaperone

Old Business

- Check out June Meeting Minutes- Posted on PTA Page on District Website
- Reviewed Social Media Pages
- Back to School Spirit Wear Sale
 - Shop is opened all year round
 - We get 10% profit off each sale- \$651 Profit
- McKenzie Ice Cream Social- About 168 students that attended
- McKenzie Book Fair- 25% Profit- \$1678
 - Thank you to Volunteers
- Picture Day- Last Week
 - o Orders should be arriving beginning of November
 - Digital Orders typically arrive earlier

New Business

- Lincoln and Faust Book Fair- happening now
 - Still looking for volunteers for Friday
- ERPD- Fall for All- October 21st- 2pm-6pm @ Police Station
- Trunk or Treat- Friday 10/27- 6-8pm @ ERPD Lot
- Golden Tickets-Parents can earn for Volunteering, PTA Membership Etc

Questions

- Wanting more activities for students who missed out on activities based on COVID etc
 - Encouraged to come with ideas that we can bring to admin
 - Maybe 5th grade graduation trip etc
- Will there be field trips this year
 - Teachers need to put in rationale for field trips
 - o Hoping all grades will have the opportunity to go on trips this year
 - Suggestions-
 - 8th grade- Spring Lake
 - 6th- Edgar Allen Poe Skits
 - 5th- Mining Trip
 - Sandy Hook Beach
- Holiday Bazaar Ideas
 - Can we purchase items and sell instead of companies
- Seeking Feedback- for fundraisers
- Tricky Tray/Pocketbook Bingo
 - 4 month lead time
- Friday Pizza- Can we purchase and have kids buy instead
- Snack Sales

Next Meeting is Wednesday Nov 1st, 2023

Meeting Adjourned- 8:04 pm