## EAST LAKE ELEMENTARY PTA

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES (VIRTUAL)

## **FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

- 1. Danielle Ocuto, Co-President, opened the meeting at 8:01 p.m.
  - a. Quorum was present.
  - b. Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Recording Secretary Minutes from November 2021 and January 2022 were approved as is.
- 3. Treasurer's Report- January 1, 2022 January 31, 2022 Checking: \$47,361.96 \$35,043.92 Savings: \$2,362.15 \$2,362.19
  - a. Dana Durso volunteered to audit January's records.
- 4. President's Report
  - a. Update on the NYS PTA's position on parental choice regarding the NYS Mask Mandate.
  - b. Motion by Danielle Ocuto; 2nd by Danielle Durso to send two (2) Proposed Letters from the East Lake PTA to the Governor's office and NYS Elected Officials stating East Lake PTA is in support of the NYS PTA advocating for parental choice as well as to establish metrics to address how to implement parental choice in regards to the Mask Mandate.
    - i. Motion to Amend the underlying motion to include the phrasing, "when safe to do so" in regards to removing the Mask Mandate. Motion by Rosa Costello, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Luz Bove.
      - 1. Vote taken via chat box. Motion Fails.
    - ii. Resume Motion to send Letters.
      - 1. Vote taken anonymously via Google Form. Motion passes.
  - c. Nominating Committee- Meghan Wrona will be chairing.
- 5. Vice President- Current Membership is at 460. All committee volunteers must be current PTA members.
- 6. Committee Reports
  - a. Newsletter- Beautiful job done by committee, newsletter was sent out to PTA members last week.
  - b. PARP- Going well, Barnes & Noble Secret Reader event is next week.
  - c. Book Fair- Set up was successful, in person 2/9-2/10.
  - d. Girls Social- 4/1. Entertainment and theme secured, food to be determined. Any family who is under financial hardship should feel free to reach out to Dana Durso, a member of the Executive Board or the school office for assistance with tickets.
    - i. Motion to reallocate \$2,935.00 of residual unused funds as follows:\$1,250 to Girls Social, \$1,250 to Boys Social, \$435 to Staff Appreciation.

Motion 1<sup>st</sup> by Erika Conti, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kerry Patten. Motion to Amend the Budget Approved by 2/3.

- e. Boys Social: Event relocated to All Sports and rescheduled to 4/8. Awaiting contract.
- f. Outreach: St. Baldrick's scheduled for 3/11. Head shaving, hair donation and dance-a-thon activities are planned. Next Outreach meeting is Thursday, all encouraged to attend.
- g. Spring Family Fun: Adventureland is scheduled for 5/19, LI Ducks for 6/4.
- h. Arts in Education: Journeys assembly and Author in Residence were well received and successful.
- i. Reflections Confirmed awards ceremony March 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm
- j. Beautification- Brief summary of committee given. Those interested in joining can contact Meghan Wrona or Kerry Wolcott.
- k. Plant Sale- Scheduled in person on 5/6.
- 1. Field Day- Scheduled for 6/10 pending weather.
- m. Council Delegate- Council is looking to get more involved in community service. Meeting scheduled for next week.
- n. Jr/Sr PTA- Wrote a letter in support of parental choice in regards to the Mask Mandate.
- 7. Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.