

Kawameeh Middle School PTA
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General Board Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2020

Board Members:

President: Kathy McGee
1st Vice President: Anita Lavery
2nd Vice President: Nadyrah Amin-Fenner
Treasurer: Aracely DiGirolamo
Secretary: Carla Soares

The meeting was called to order at 7:03PM by President Kathy McGee via Zoom call.

Invocation and Flag Salute

- Carla Soares – “A thousand miles journey begins with a single step.” – Chinese Proverb

Attendance

- Present – the complete executive board, along with Mr. Malanda (Principal), Mrs. Lorenzo (Vice Principal) and Mrs. Kelly (teacher/PTA Liaison).
- Total attendance - 32 via Zoom call- list on file.

Minutes

- The September 29th's meeting minutes are on file for review on the PTA tab of school website.

Treasurer's Report

- Reviewed and prepared by Aracely DiGirolamo
- No questions from the floor – the Treasurer's report will be filed.

Correspondence

- No correspondence

Mr. Malanda's Report

- No information has been passed along to Principal/teachers of when students will physically be back in the building at this time.
- Staff can't wait to see the kids back in the schools
- Principals meeting with the Superintendent Thursday

Ms. Kelly and Ms. Lorenzo's Report

- Some kids are excelling virtually and others are not
- But can't wait to see students at the school

Old Business

- Clothing Drive-Kathy McGee-\$1181.60 was raised. Thank you!
- Fall Spirit-wear Fundraiser-Anita Lavery-Started October 9, closes November 1.
-Go to <https://www.spcustomonline.com/team/kawameeh> to place an order
- BMS vs. KMS Dodgeball Tournament-Kathy McGee-Postponed, no new date yet

New Business

- Communications: Working to setup the Remind App to send out reminders
- Fundraisers: Please email us any ideas you may have at kmspta@twpunionschools.org

Committee Reports

- Membership –Carla Soares – 109 strong, Mr. Malanda will be sending another email broadcast, Ms. Kelly requested a list of the teachers. Get a friend/husband to join at <https://kawameeh.memberhub.store/>
- Volunteer Signs Ups- Nadyrah Amin-Fenner-sending the link to ask for volunteers for Tricky Tray and hopefully snack stand
- Box Tops Update-Kathryn Vanoni- everything is digital now, app flyer ready to go to be broadcasted. Need to work out a plan to get the paper boxtops to Kathryn.
- Calendar Raffle-Kathy- Our biennial raffle license renewal is backlogged to get approval, we need the license to then request a town permit to run the calendar raffle and tricky tray
- Tricky Tray-Kathy-Current scheduled for May 22nd, but may be moved up by going virtual
- Reflections – Chastity Santana-Absent but provided report that an email will come out shortly explaining the program. This year's theme is "I matter because..."
- Kawameeh Chiefs – Anita Laverty-8th Grade Awards. 25 Awards. Working on donations.
- Snack Sales-Nadyrah-Not sure if it can happen when/if students come back to the school

Miscellaneous and dates to remember

- 10/20 Board of Education Meeting
- 11/10 Board of Education Work Session
- 10/21 Half Day-Staff Development
- 11/03 School Closed-Election Day
- 11/5-6 School Closed-NJEA Convention
- 11/25 Half Day-Thanksgiving Recess
- 11/26-27 School Closed-Thanksgiving Recess

Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM

Next Meeting scheduled for November 16th, 7pm, zoom call (details will be distributed few days before call)

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Carla Soares, Secretary