

Kawameeh Middle School PTA
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General Board Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2022

Board Members:

President: Kathy McGee
1st Vice President: Erin Orsini
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 – “There are no shortcuts to any place worth going.” – Beverly Sills

Attendance

- Present – the complete executive board, along with Mr. Malanda (Principal), Mrs. Kelly (teacher/PTA Liaison) and Chastity Santana (BOE member/Liaison).
- Total attendance - 21 via Zoom call- list on file.

Minutes

- The Nov 15th’s meeting minutes are on file for review on the PTA tab of school website and were emailed to all PTA members via memberhub broadcast. No meeting was held in December.

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

- Back to full time days this week. Going well.
- End of 2nd marking period is on 2/02. No midterms exams
- Assigning seats at lunch.
- Diagnostics testing window pushed back.

Ms. Kelly’s report

- Thank you for Staff holiday grab and go lunch.
- Yearbooks are still on sale for \$40. Go to https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1056262/Kawameeh-Middle-School/2022-Yearbook/20210922133057647126/CATALOG_SHOP/ to place your order.

Ms. Santana’s report

- Introduced has the BOE Liaison for KMS.

Old Business

- Staff Holiday Lunch- Erin – A grab and go lunch with mini basket raffle went well. All the teachers were all smiles and said Thank you. A special THANK YOU goes to all the parents for your generous monetary donations toward the lunch.
- BMS/KMS staff events postponed until the Spring.

New Business

- Winter Concert- rescheduled to Feb 16th.
- UHS Tricky Tray- April 2, 2022, need wine basket Donations by March 15th, can drop off donations before the Winter Concert on Feb 16th to Kathy McGee.
- Nomination Committee-Kathy- Erin Orsini nominated Karen Gobern, Nicole Ahern 2nd. Chastity Santana nominated Aileen Ransom, Christine Bevensee 2nd. Karen Gobern nominated Erin Orsini, Nicole Ahern 2nd. Nadyrah Amin-Fenner nominated Nicole Ahern, Chastity Santana 2nd.
- SEPAG Updates-Aracely- Introduced Carla Vicari as co-chair. Monthly Meetings are held. More info available on District Web page.
- Fundraisers or event ideas: Please email us any ideas you may have at kmspta@twpunionschools.org

Committee Reports

- Membership –Carla –194 members. Check request for payment to NJPTA needs to go to Aracely, 9 new members, \$36 to the state.
- Calendar Raffle Fundraiser-Kathy- still on sale \$20 a ticket still gets you 63 changes to win. Go to <https://kawameeh.memberhub.com/store> to buy your tickets.

Open Floor

- Virtual presentation to all 8th graders for High School incoming freshman is on Jan 27th, 6:30 pm. Look at email from Mr. Malanda with all the details. It will be recorded and Nicole Ahern can send copies to anyone who may have missed it.

Miscellaneous and dates to remember

- 1/27 8th Grade Virtual Program Presentation 6:30-7:30 pm
- 2/08 Board of Education Work Session
- 2/15 BOE Regular Meeting
- 2/16 KMS Winter Concert/ KMSPTA General Meeting
- 2/17 BOE Planning Meeting
- 2/18 & 21 School Closed-President's Weekend

Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM

Next Meeting scheduled during the Winter Concert on Feb 16th

Respectfully submitted by: Carla Soares, Secretary