

**PTA Meeting
12.1.2021**

Called to order 7:06 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest Speakers

- **Mr. Giancaspro-** Updates
 - Thankful to work in a district with parents who have been so patient
 - A couple of setbacks in the area of technology
 - Communication was sent out to parents that Dec 13th would be a viable date to open
 - Tomorrow there will be a construction meeting that will give an update on opening date
 - Tentatively Dec 13th will not be the opening date of school
 - Faust School Renovations- 6 inspections that need to take place
 - Electrical, Fire, Plumbing, Building, Elevator, Food Service
 - Waiting for STEM lab and kitchen area
 - Will be posting new pictures
 - Within next 2 weeks bridge will start to be erected
 - Have been working with PSEG, SUEZ Water, Cablevision etc
 - Anticipating opening of mid January
 - Once has the exact date will let parents know at least 10 days prior
 - Assuring that will not go into February
 - Will be doing renovations at McKenzie School and Annex
 - Every step is contingent upon the other steps happening
 - Hoping everything completed by January 2023
- **Questions-**
 - Are ER Faust students getting EBT cards regardless of income or applications?
 - Mr. G-Will follow up with Mrs. Augustin the district BA and see the status of applications
 - Trying to put together additional topics for Parent Academy
 - Vaccinations
 - CST
 - Guidance
- **Mr. Barrow-**
 - Parent teacher conferences were held
 - Spirit week
 - Celebrated Veterans Day- thanks to 4th grade for presentation

- Thank you to charity committee
 - Cereal box challenge- Over 500 boxes donated
 - Nurse Saab, Jessica Gonzalez, Katie Petrone
- Virtual Parent Academy- Technology bootcamp Dec 7th
- Happy Holiday Season
- Question
 - Will there be a winter concert this year?
 - Do not anticipate one in December but will communicate more information as more guidance comes out
- **Mrs. Barrale-**
 - Parent teacher conferences were on the 11th. If you were not able to make it, reach out to the teachers to schedule another time.
 - Report cards are out
 - Saturday between 4-6 the Faust school band will be performing at American Dream
 - December 17th- Holiday festival concert. Students 7-12 playing at Becton Regional Arts Center. 7pm
 - Happy Holiday Season
 - Do not hesitate to reach out if any questions or concerns

Agenda

Correspondence

- Mrs. Barrale

Treasurer's Report

- All balanced
- Report available online
- A couple of activities in the month of November
- Having a fundraiser this Friday at Tree Lighting
- Tax Return was recently filed and will be available online to view

Membership

- Currently at 160 members
- Links are available on PTA on district website
- Links available on the PTA Facebook page

8th Grade Committee

- Dance on 12/17 @ McKenzie School

Old Business

- November meeting minutes and treasurers report are posted online
- Wildcat Gear Fundraiser- Orders shipped 6-8 weeks
- September orders were all shipped out on the 18th

- ER PTA on Amazon Smile- Can add as a charity and we get a % of purchases
- When shop for groceries add ER PTA

New Business

- Tree Lighting this Friday @ Municipal Building
 - Will be selling mugs and cocoa bombs
 - Cocoa Bombs- \$5
 - Gift Set with Mug \$10
- Picture retakes
 - Faust/Annex- 12/13
 - McKenzie- 12/14
 - Bring in the original picture package to exchange for new shots
 - Pics will arrive within 3-4 weeks
- Paint & Sip Event
 - Made to Measure
 - Early New Year
- Planning some additional events early in the new year
- Happy Holiday and all the best in 2022
- Posted links in the chat for membership & parent academy

Questions

- When will the dance be in December? 17th
- How can we register for PTA?- On the PTA page on the district website.

Next Meeting is January 5, 2022

Meeting Adjourned- 7:50 pm