

PTA MEETING

March 6 , 2024

I. TEACHER OF THE YEAR

- **Congratulations Ms. Foccaci- Grade 6, Special Education**

II. THERAPY DOG PROGRAM - Begins Thursday 3/7/24

- **☐ Therapy Dog Program for Students**

III. KINDERGARTEN / INCOMING FIRST GRADE REGISTRATION

- Now Open
- Presently Incoming Kindergarten 46 students
- Presently Incoming Kindergarten 5 students

IV. UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS

- 7th Grade Placement Test, Gr. 6 March 18 - 19 (ELA and Math)
- In View - Grades 3 and 5, April 10/24
- NJSLA and NJSL Science - 5/6/24 - 5/15/24 - We will communicate further information on testing procedures as the dates get Closer.

V. REMINDERS - MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND POSSIBLE CHANGE OF SCHOOL CALENDAR (If not all of our snow days are used)

VI. OTHER

- Thank Mrs. Demich and teacher volunteers for organizing and participating in Media Bonanza event.
- Thank PTA and all volunteers for efforts with the Talent Show and upcoming STEM Fair, PTA Party for a Purpose event, Field Day and everything else that is coming up!
- **NPHS Musical - On the Town**
 - **March 8, 9, 15, 16 at 7:30pm**
 - **March 16th at 2pm**

PTA Meeting Minutes

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SB Cafeteria 9:00 am

1. Call to Order and Flag Salute
2. Approval of Minutes - Jan 2024 Meeting approved and available on the PTA website.
3. Principal's Report – Please see attached for further details.
 - a. Mrs. Drexinger also introduced Carolyn Bechner, Offsite Childcare and Camp Director, from the YMCA. She oversees all the programs in New Providence. The YMCA has just opened registration for after care.
 - b. Currently, after care at Salt Brook is at capacity because of state licensing, but the YMCA offers busing from Salt Brook to the Summit YMCA for after care.
 - c. For more information, please reach out to Carolyn.
4. President's Report
 - a. Thank you to all our committee members for the Sweetheart Dance, Talent Show, Author Day, Spelling Bee, and STEM fair that is coming up next week.
5. Treasurer's Report- Please see attached
6. Correspondence Report- None Noted
7. Committee Reports
 - a. STEM Fair
 - b. Spring Fundraiser - March 22
 - c. Bingo
 - d. Yearbooks are currently on sale.
8. Open Forum - PTA Events & Calendar 2024/2025
 - Feedback from teachers about Spelling Bee: Possible change to competition and removal of classroom bees? Possible competition and coordination with AWR?
 - Can the Talent Show be held at the High School theater?
 - Unfortunately, scheduling is difficult. Mrs. Drexinger will speak with Mr. Henry.
 - Why would it be better to have it at the high school?
 - Better sound system and equipment.
 - Can we bring the track program back to Salt Brook?
 - Since budget proposals were already due, a school-based program would not be approved for next year. It could be a PTA sponsored club if there is a parent volunteer.