

**Gemini PTO General Membership Meeting**

**April 22, 2022 @ 8:30 am – in Gemini Cafeteria**

**Meeting called to order by** PTO President, Sherrie Stovall at 8:35AM.

**Attended by:** 14 people

**Minutes:** The minutes from the meeting on Feb 25th, 2022 were reviewed and approved. Motion was made to approve by Sarah Apelquist and seconded by Sarah Vorwaller.

**Principal’s Report:** Mrs. Carver (Principal)

* Sherrie requested any elections from the floor for next years PTO committee. No nominations from the floor
	+ Amy Fuller has been added as the Corresponding Secretary
	+ All other PTO board members will resume in office with the exception of Melissa McNall
* Officer Rick no longer at Gemini. Office Bradley is joining and has a student in the school
	+ bradley.kevin@brevardschools.org
* Reminder to encourage families with Kindergartens to come in to the school and pick-up a registration packet.
	+ Comment that the Kindergarten open house was a great event, but it wasn’t clear that the families should come to the school and pick up a packet
	+ PTO collected emails from attendees at the Kindergarten event if Carmen wants to use to remind potential families
* Kids are mulching and working in the Kindergarten playground. Still waiting on the installation…
* Space Coast Living did an article on the north field garden
* 6th Grade World Bizarre planned for 5/19
* 6th grade promotion ceremony and picnic
* Field Day planned for 5/20 on South Field. Stay tuned for volunteer opportunities.
* A plan going in front of the commissioner to increase taxes to help raise wages for teachers. If approved it will go on to the ballot. It’s a millage tax and the funds will stay in the district.
* PTO was selected by Gemini Elementary as the “Business Partner of the Year”
	+ TBD what that entails

**Treasury Report**: Lindsay Ishman

* Current register balance is $43,966.86
	+ Since the last general meeting, the PTO has given ~$3k to purchase additional document cameras.

**General Business**

* Fundraiser ideas for the upcoming year
	+ Fundraiser idea - Family Skate Night at Galaxy Skate Park
	+ More family dinner nights
	+ Father / Daughter Dance (possible volunteers to lead Kim Wright, Sarah Apelquist and Karen Dawson)
	+ Mother / Son Dance
	+ Santa Shop
	+ Holiday Catalog fundraisers
	+ Jog-A-Thon
		- Pie in the face
* Family Dinner Night (Sarah Vorwaller)
	+ Raised ~$900 at Jersey Mike’s.
	+ Recommend doing a few next year.
	+ Sarah also recommended coordinating times so students can go and see their friends.
	+ In addition there is a tip jar that all tips go to Gemini
* May 9-13 will be Teacher Appreciation week
	+ PTO wants to include lunch for all Gemini staff each day throughout the week
		- Wednesday (5/11) is Italian luncheon - hosted by parents and PTO
			* Kim Wright will help coordinate and will send a sign-up Genius.
		- Garden club will host lunch on Friday.
		- PTO requesting help from room parents to solicit their parents for $10-$12/lunch
	+ PTO has also identified a theme for each day for the students to show their appreciation. This information will go out in GemiNews and Thursday folders. Room parents are also encouraged to communicate the information to their parents.
* Morning Mile (Melissa McNall)
	+ Currently in 2nd place for Running Zone race series.
		- If we end the series in 2nd place, Morning Mile will receive $500 from Running Zone
	+ Came in 2nd place for Fastest Team at the last race
	+ The next series starts in July
* Commemorative Pavers (Sarah Apelquist)
	+ Reduced the price for pavers. Plan to sell them in the next few weeks. Pavers should arrive during the summer and hopefully be installed before the school year starts.
* Movie Night (Karen Dawson)
	+ Planned for 5/27 at 8pm in coordination with the town of Melbourne Beach
	+ Movie is planned to be Encanto
	+ PTO will provide pizza and possibly popcorn, town will provide movie setup and icee’s.
	+ Julie Samuel offered for Parks and Rec to do something at Movie Night.
* Founders Day 5/7
	+ PTO and Gemini requested to volunteer in the beer tent
	+ PTO will also provide 4 raffle baskets that are kid themed

**Next meeting is** TBD and will be during the next school year.

**Meeting adjourned at** 9:34 AM.

**Minutes compiled by** Karen Dawson, Recording Secretary.