

**Frank C. Whiteley PTA
General Membership Meeting
Draft
Wednesday, November 4, 2020**

Call to Order- 7:02p.m.

Introductions

Secretary's Report– Robin Nelson

Minutes from the October 7, 2020 meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report - Jackie Pulkrabek

- The month's refunds for The Main Event and the funfair were filed.

Executive Committee Reports

President's Report – Sharol Gersic

- Standing Rules-
The changes to the Standing Rules were discussed.
Posted - <https://www.ccsd15.net/Page/9920>
Motion: Tina Odachowski moved to amend the standing rules.
Rebecca Mainiero seconded the motion.
Voted:
21 Yay
1. Nay
The motion passed.
- Budget Approval –
The proposed Budget was presented. Fundraisers and expenditures were discussed. No amendments were needed. The proposed Budget was approved.
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1T3x8pwS2uU4Rg7VMv_Oxm-Dt0vp4fV2ljSu49ifBBb0/edit#gid=0
- Funfair-
We were able to wrap-up the funfair. It went smoothly. 85 people requested refunds.
- Website-
We now have a website. The standing rules are posted on it.
- <https://www.ccsd15.net/FCW-PTA>
- Newsletter –
Linda Sanchez is posting a newsletter. We are very appreciative and glad we have more ways to communicate.
- Virtual Presidents Meeting-
The Whiteley PTA won an award for member growth and won a Sapphire level award for participation in the multicultural event.

VP of Programs – Michelle Banczak

- Virtual Pumpkin Carving-
Fifty-five students entered the virtual pumpkin carving event. It was a success. Please free to suggest any virtual event ideas you may have. We would like to do one every month.
- Whiteley Strong-
We are looking for ways to pull the community together and increase school spirit. We will be asking students to show us how they are being Whiteley Strong. A flyer will be put together, along with a PDF link with a logo. It will also be added to morning announcements.
- Favorite Things-
A survey was sent out to staff to gather information on their favorite things. This information is to be used for the community to show their appreciation. There was a suggestion of using the staff's amazon wish list.

VP of Ways & Means – Tina Odachowski

- Winter Fundraising-
We are doing to contact free fundraiser through Meadow Farms. It started Monday, November 2nd. The students will have the chance to win fun prizes. 35% of earnings will go to the PTA. Please free to contact Tina Odachowski if you have any questions.
- Restaurant Nights –
Dine and share night will be November 9th at First Place Sports Bar and Grill. It will be from 11:00am to 11:00pm. 10% of earnings will go to the PTA. Suggestions for more possible restaurants are needed.

VP of Legislation – Position open.

Principal's Report – Faith Rivera & Theresa Drogos

- Monday, November 2nd, was Teacher institute day. The teachers worked on enhancing their technology skills.
- Inclement Dismissal procedures are being fine tuned.
- We are appreciative of parents self-certifying their children.
- MAP test score will be on the parent portal. If you need help accessing them, please contact the school.
- There have been no cases of Covid-19 at Whiteley.
- There will be no field trips this year.
- Parent-Teacher conferences will be done virtually November 23rd and 24th. Please adhere to your scheduled times. Email your child's teacher if you are not scheduled for a time.
- Report cards will be posted November 20, 2020.

Teachers' Report – Kathy Hyla & Andrea Rodino

- The retirement brick garden will be leveled and retired/deceased teacher's bricks will be added.
- Teacher's classroom purchase receipts will be sent in for reimbursement.
- The Amazon wish list for staff will be looked into, to assist the PTA.

Committee Reports

Box Tops - Komal Desai – (Sharol Gersic reporting)

- Box top collection is done on-line now. Please continue to collect them for Whiteley at:
<https://www.boxtops4education.com/>

Environmental Ed – Open (Sharol Gersic Reporting)

- We are entered into a contest to see which school can collect the most used textiles in their USAgain bin. Please donate used textiles to support the PTA. The contest goes for one month.

USAgain - America Recycles Day Challenge - <https://usagain.com/ard>

Membership - <https://frankcwhiteley.memberhub.store/>

- We Currently have 118 members
- A Raffles for member enrollment was done. The winner for Members enrolling from September - October 21 was Jayoung Yoon. The winner for enrolling from October 22 - November 4 was Yoshie Anzai. Winners will receive spirit wear. We are hoping to increase membership to 200.

Reflections - Rebecca Mainiero

- After a chaotic start, Reflections is now progressing. The PTA website has the information of how to enter. Unfortunately, there are no entries yet. Friday, November 6th is the last day to sign up. May push it until Sunday, November 8th.
- If there are no entries, we will do our own at Whiteley. We may tie it to Winter Break, to give the students an activity during that time.bbb

Sixth Grade Activities - Kate Patla / April Armstrong / Linda Sanchez

- The sixth-grade t-shirt design has been finalized and will be ordered by Christmas break. We are currently brain storming ideas for the sixth-grade end of the year celebration. We are looking for suggestions.

Spark - Vanessa Medina – (Sharol Gersic Reporting)

- What about Me? Siblings of Children with Disabilities
Monday - November 16 - 7:00-8:30pm

Spiritwear - Jackie Pulkrabek

- Two people still need to pick up their spirit wear. We may open the store in the spring again. It was asked if it could be opened before Christmas Break. That will be looked into.

Staff Appreciation - Michelle Banczak

- We would like to put thank you gifts for the teachers in their school mailboxes. Principle Rivera said that was fine.
- Details for a staff dinner for Parent-Teacher conferences is being worked on. We will obtain quotes from different restaurants.

Yearbook/School Photos - Rebecca Mainiero

- The cover for the yearbook was submitted. The theme will be “The Most Epic Year”. Rebecca will collaborate with Whiteley Strong to obtain pictures for the yearbook.
- Yearbook photos will be done in the spring. It will be done outside, socially distanced. Due to it being done in the spring, the Yearbooks may not come out at the normal time.

Committee Chairs:

Birthday Books – OPEN
Book Fair – OPEN
Box Tops – Komal Desai
Chess Club – OPEN
Creature Feature –Magdalena Zablocki
Environmental Ed (Green Day) – OPEN
Field Day – OPEN
Fun Fair – OPEN
Garage Sale –Tina Odachowski
Helping Hands – OPEN
Hospitality – Tina Odachowski
Membership/Directory – Sharol Gersic
Multi-Cultural Event – Laurie Graba
PCEE Representative – Tina Odachowski
Reflections – Rebecca Mainiero
Sixth Grade Activities – OPEN
SPARK – OPEN
Spirit Wear –Jackie Pulkrabek
Staff Appreciation – OPEN
Volunteer Coordinator – Michelle Stieb
Wildcat Dash – Bree Flaska.
Yearbook/School Pictures – Rebecca Mainiero

New Business: None

Election of New Officer-

Discussion: - The position of Office of 3rd Vice President, Legislation is open.

Motion: Jackie Pulkrabek moved to nominate Rebecca Mainiero for the position of The Office of 3rd Vice President, Legislation.

Tina Odachowski seconded the motion. Rebecca Mainiero accepted the nomination.

Voted:

Yay- 23

Nay-0

The motion passed.

Adjournment – 8:15 p.m.

Next meeting is Wednesday, December 2, 2020 - 7pm - Virtual
Zoom link will be posted the week of the meeting

Volunteer Opportunities to come at: <http://tinyurl.com/WhiteleyVolunteer>

Meeting Ground Rules:

- We are all volunteers and we try our best. Everyone is treated with respect.
- Participation is encouraged. Everyone's input is valuable.

- Only one person speaks at a time. Speak only for yourself.
- No put-downs of people or their ideas. It is OK to disagree respectfully.

Submitted by: Robin Nelson

In attendance:

Sharol Gersic

Robin Nelson

Jackie Pulkrabek

Tina Odachowski

Michelle Banczak

Rebecca Mainiero

Faith Rivera

Theresa Drogos

Linda Sanchez

Kathy Hyla

Andrea Rodino

Caroline English

Melissa Jacobs

Michelle Steib

Tracey Bobitz

Ciara Kowalczyk

Jay Clites

Kate Patla

Marryanne Geisler

Barbara Lach

Alana Dietz

Laura Caringella

Maele Rivera