

## Nishuane PTA Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2021, 6:30 PM

Via Zoom

Link to meeting recording and chat log:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pj3w4htdkjp721m/AAD8kNENGaYFg5CWtqZm2yAZa?dl=0>

### Agenda

- 1) Intro/Welcome
- 2) President's Welcome – Reggie Valentine
- 3) OneNish! – Nicole Chalfoun
  - a) Thanksgiving Grocery Gift Card Drive – cards distributed today and tomorrow. \$4600 raised total for 46 families
  - b) Holiday Giving
  - c) Extending the support throughout the year
- 4) Scholastic Book Fair – Alliah Agostini Livingstone
  - a) About \$11,500 in transactions, including ~\$11,000 in book sales plus ~\$500 in donations
  - b) Now need to consider how to spend the funds
  - c) Watchung Booksellers weren't able to facilitate an in-person book fair this year, but we may work with them as part of Pennies for Pages (virtual)
- 5) Principal's Welcome – Frank Sedita
  - a) Thank you to Book Fair and OneNish! Volunteers
  - b) Parent Teacher conferences in December 8-10 (virtual)
  - c) SATp meeting December 16 at 7:30pm
  - d) Outdoor lunch. Principal will decide by 10:30am on days with temps below 40 degrees, considering "feels like" temperature, wind, cloud cover, precipitation, etc.
  - e) So far have only had 3 days with indoor lunch. Have been able to spread out students during indoor lunch.
  - f) Peer Learning Committees (PLC)

- g) Question on changing quarantine policy for travel in light of vaccinations – no decision has been made yet
  - h) Virtual learning will be set up for students who travel. Please communicate travel information to administration as early as possible
- 6) Teacher Liaison – Marissa May
- a) Thank you from the staff for your support, especially with planning holiday classroom activities
  - b) Thank you to Alliah for Book Fair
  - c) Chairing Pennies for Pages this year
  - d) Pop Up Spirit Sale after school
- 7) Class Partners – Daniel Garcia-Pedrosa
- a) Every class has \$75 reimbursement budget for class activities
  - b) Holiday Teacher Gift coming up. Class Partners collect for teachers and paras in the classroom. Separate collection for the SNAP teachers. Let us know if you feel you have not collected enough, PTA may be able to supplement
- 8) Strategy – Mallory Coleman
- a) Poinsettia sale – 28 ordered so far. Another couple weeks to get orders in. Pickup December 7.
  - b) Working on 5K race, Charleston Wrap fundraisers
- 9) Mr. Eder
- a) Shout out to the PTA
  - b) Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds Hike in Woodland Park this Sunday
- 10) Treasurer’s Report – Jessica Liebson
- a) Total in bank \$75,679.29 as of 11/18/21 (not including Explorers revenue estimated \$12k, or Book Fair revenue)
  - b) Profit FY: \$22,000 (estimate, not including Book Fair)
  - c) Spent/Funded FY: \$14,000
  - d) Highlights:
    - i) Mics for teachers
    - ii) Fish tank maintenance
- 11) Justine Walsh
- a) Grow Lab
  - b) Holiday Gift Drive – about 46 families. Approx. 10 gifts per family. Request for Organza bags to help with wrapping. Deliveries directly from Amazon require additional wrapping effort.

12) Susan Gardner Zartman

- a) Trivia Night with Hillside rescheduled to Dec 4. Prizes for top 3 finishers. Theme: Gratitude and look back at 2021.
- b) Membership: 195. Goal: 200.

13) Adjourn

- a) Next meeting is December 15.