

Nishuane PTA Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2022, 6:00 PM

In person at Nishuane Library and via Zoom

Link to meeting recording and chat log:

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

Agenda

- 1) Intro/Welcome
- 2) Principal's Welcome – Frank Sedita
 - a) Check Nish News for information on many upcoming events
 - i) Mayfair May 14 was a great success
 - ii) Juneteenth, in partnership with Hillside and the Montclair NAACP (SignupGenius to follow)
 - iii) May 25 – 2nd graders walk to Hillside, tour, and bus back about 11:30am. Family picnic at Hillside that evening
 - b) Personnel
 - i) We were not aware in advance of the district budget reductions, we are devastated to learn of the proposed cuts, and we are advocating and fighting as a community for the teachers to return
 - ii) Ms. Allen is leaving Nishuane after this year for a principal position in another district (congratulations and we will miss you!) Mr. Sedita will be closely involved with the Assistant Principal application process and will bring in all stakeholders
 - iii) We are also advocating to add a librarian position and drama teacher
 - iv) Based on projected Kindergarten enrollment, we will again have 7 K classes next year
 - c) Mayfair Update – Tawaina Turner-Dowes
 - i) Great turnout
 - ii) The goal was to raise awareness of the event and make it accessible to all (e.g. food prices were just over cost)
- 3) Treasurer's Report – Jessica Liebson (SEE BELOW)

Treasurer's Report – May 18, 2022

- Mayfair (still working on financials)
- Air Conditioner Units (11 delivered, working with B&G to install)
- Beautification:
 - Items for Rock Garden extension are ordered.
- Second Grade Field Trip to Turtle Back Zoo tickets
- Adaptive Swing for playground has been ordered (14 week delivery)
- In the process of ordering 1st & 2nd grade classrooms furniture for new classrooms.
- Total in bank \$79,260.47
 - Not including Fireball revenue/expenses
 - Will be ordering classroom furniture (-\$15k)



Nishuane PTA
Proposed Budget for 2021-2022 School Year

Category	Budget Approved 3/24/22	\$44,699.00	Notes
400-10 PTA Membership Dues	\$1,500.00	\$2,160.00	Assuming 150 members
400-15 Parent Donations	\$500.00		
400-20 Amazon Smile	\$500.00	\$339.87	
400-30 Box Tops	\$300.00	\$72.30	
400-40 Trivia Night Income	\$500.00	\$530.00	
400-80 Artsonia Funds	-\$1,790.00		Art dept did a fundraiser in 2020/2021. To be used by Art dept
490-05 Interest Income	\$2.30	\$1.96	
500-00 Administrative Expenses			
500-12 Bank & Merchant Fees	-\$1,900.00	-\$1,444.46	Zoom, CheddarUp, Shopify, etc
500-20 Accounting Fees	-\$1,200.00	-\$540.00	
500-25 Legal & Professional Fees	-\$350.00	-\$30.00	Budget same as last year. These have been needed in past years
500-35 PTA Council Dues	-\$250.00	-\$300.00	
500-37 500-37 NJPTA state dues	-\$600.00	-\$829.00	
500-40 PTA Meetings	-\$100.00		coffee/treats for first and last meetings (if in-person)
500-45 Supplies	-\$250.00		
500-50 Tax Filings	-\$300.00		
500-60 Insurance	-\$500.00	-\$485.00	
500-90 Capital Purchases	-\$35,000.00	-\$12,060.93	Tents, tables/chairs, mics for teachers, A/C's, etc
510-00 Enrichment			
510-05 2nd Grade T-Shirts	-\$1,100.00		
510-08 2nd Grade Yearbook	-\$1,700.00	-\$690.63	(the \$700 spent was the final payment from last year)
510-09 2nd Grade Moving Up	-\$500.00		
510-10 Assembly Programs	-\$1,500.00		budgeting based on prior years
510-17 Summer Playdates	\$0.00		Usually offer water and stacks, but didn't because of Covid
510-18 School Tours	-\$200.00		budgeting based on prior years
510-20 Boohoo Breakfast	-\$800.00	-\$137.00	decorations; coffee 1st day; and follow up Friday
510-25 Class Partners	-\$2,000.00	-\$72.00	\$75 per class
510-26 Coffee/Tea with Principal	-\$50.00		
510-35 Family Picnic	-\$100.00		TBD, had in prior years. Possibly in spring
510-40 Field Trip Allocations	-\$6,500.00	-\$1,650.00	budget based on prior years. Busing for fieldtrips (usually in spring)
510-41 Fish Tank Maintenance	-\$1,400.00	-\$1,229.65	Yearly maintance and upkeep.
510-42 Grow Lab	-\$1,500.00	-\$358.01	extra needed for clean up
510-45 Holiday Lunch	-\$1,300.00	-\$1,070.71	budgeting based on prior years (lunch for teachers)
510-50 Ice Cream Social	-\$450.00		
510-57 Healthy Minds/Healthy Bodies	-\$100.00		
510-58 510-58 SATp Expenses	-\$2,000.00	-\$860.00	SATp recommends programs that help the school
510-65 Welcome Breakfast	-\$750.00	-\$1,099.01	Usually do a breakfast for teachers and staff
510-77 PTA Newsletter	-\$400.00		
510-80 Project Graduation	-\$100.00		
510-90 Literacy	\$0.00	** \$345	Pennies for pages (we are just holding the money, it is not for the PTA)
510-96 Piano Tuning	-\$300.00		
520-00 Staff Appreciation		-\$1,870.00	
520-05 Holiday Gifts to Teachers	-\$2,500.00	-\$5,362.21	
520-10 Teacher Stipends	-\$15,000.00	-\$1,399.37	
520-15 Teacher Appreciation Week	-\$2,500.00		Last year: Lunch, Nish cookies, & gifts
680-00 Explorers			
680-05 Explorers Revenue	\$65,000.00	\$68,890.00	Fall explorers made roughly \$12,000 (profit)
680-10 Explorers Expenses	-\$40,000.00	-\$49,725.66	Based on prior years
700-00 Events			
705-05 Book Fair Revenue	\$15,500.00	\$954.82	Based on prior years
705-10 Book Fair Expenses	-\$11,500.00		Based on prior years
710-05 Family Dance Revenue			
710-10 Family Dance Expenses	\$2,000.00		Voted to make this a community event last year
720-05 Nishuane Cares Revenue (OneNish)	\$8,000.00	\$4,895.00	Currently have \$3k from last year to spend.
720-10 Nishuane Cares Expenses (OneNish)	-\$8,000.00	-\$2,436.22	
725-05 Mayfair Revenue	\$15,000.00	\$9.64	Same as 2 years ago
725-10 Mayfair Expenses	-\$10,000.00	-\$823.70	Same as 2 years ago
730-05 Pancake Breakfast Revenue	\$8,000.00		Based on prior years
730-10 Pancake Breakfast Expenses	-\$2,000.00		Based on prior years
740-05 School Spirit Revenue	\$3,500.00	\$3,433.45	Based on prior years
740-10 School Spirit Expenses	-\$2,000.00	-\$188.99	Based on prior years

745-05 Fundraisers Misc Revenue		\$6,969.00	
745-10 Fundraisers Misc Expenses		-\$4,506.70	payment for mums
750-05 Fireball Revenue	\$30,000.00	** (\$38,208.97)	Fireball revenue is split with Hillside and this doesn't include expenses yet. Typically makes \$30k
750-10 Fireball Expenses	\$15,000.00	-\$518.07	
760-05 DVD Sales (MP3 of performances)	\$1,500.00	\$216.00	Assume zero profit and 3 shows
760-10 DVD Expenses (MP3 of performances)	-\$1,500.00		Assume zero profit and 3 shows
770-05 Flower Sales Revenue	\$600.00		Assume 3 shows
770-10 Flower Sale Expenses	-\$450.00		Assume 3 shows
780-05 Book Sales Revenue	\$800.00		Author visits - generally zero profit selling autographed books.
780-10 Book Sale Expenses	-\$800.00		
790-05 1st Day of School Boxes Revenue	\$1,000.00		
790-10 1st Day of School Boxes Expenses	-\$500.00		

- 4) Nomination Committee – Kendra Johnson
 - a) We have nominees for PTA President and VP of Strategy, both current Kindergarten parents
 - b) Other roles are still available
- 5) Events – Susan Gardner Zartman
 - a) Fireball June 4 – sold out but we are starting a waiting list
 - b) Juneteenth
 - c) MFEE – Toast to the Teachers
- 6) OneNish – Nicole Chalfoun
 - a) Spring Giveaway - \$75 grocery gift card
 - b) Donating school snacks, water bottles, clothing
 - c) We have enough funds to meet our current goals but additional donations are always welcome via CheddarUp.
- 7) Adjourn
 - a) Next meeting is June 9, 2022.