

Miller Avenue School Parent Teacher Organization

3 Miller Avenue Shoreham, NY 11786



November 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

II. Principal's Report

- Community members back in the building!
- Halloween – Parade with community members. Spooky Hallway with High School student helper volunteers to decorate it.
- If anyone has extra Halloween decorations to donate, Miller Ave would love them.
- If we need help – Mrs. Smith will ask High Schoolers for volunteers to help.
- Over 300lbs of candy was collected after Halloween.
- SCPD visit went really well.
- Kindergartens went to Suffolk County Farm.
- Thank you for the Book Fair.
- In person conferences are coming up.

III. Old Business:

- a. Picture Day. Thank you to Erin Farley for taking class pictures and overseeing the day. Links to class photos will be emailed home. Second grade class photo was taken in class shirts on 10/1. Each child will be gifted a color print.
- b. Finks Fall Festival went well. Raised \$1,497. Third grader Celia Gaeta sold hair ties she made to purchase socks for the homeless. Thank you to Katy Graham for chairing.
- c. Coupon book. If you have books you can still send them back or pay for them. Thank you to Mary Jo Loughlin for chairing.
- d. Flower Power sale ended 10/15. Raised \$582.50
- e. Book fair. Thank you to all the helpers! It was so wonderful to have the full book fair back in the building. Over \$200 in books donated to the school library. The children were so excited to choose their own books at the fair. Raised \$2,220.53.

Ashley was an all-star book fair chairperson.

- f. Candy Buy-back. Children fed the monsters – collected over 300lbs. The second grade got extra recess.
- g. School stores are going well. Children love the opportunity to pick out something special. Next store is 11/10.
- h. Fruity Friday is going well. Chairwoman Jennifer Pendzick created some great Halloween costumes for the fruit on 10/29. Check out Facebook for some pictures.
- i. Second grade teachers requested the book Jabari Tries. A book for each teacher was purchased.
- j. Suffolk County Police and K-9 unit visited our second graders on 11/3 & 11/4. Children loved the event. Thank you Mary Jo Loughlin for setting up the event. Hopefully, this will be a yearly tradition.
- k. Nature Nick visited the children on 10/20 and brought lots of fun animals with him. The children had a great time. Thank you to Lynn Losquadro for organizing the assembly.

IV. New Business:

- a. Sportswear sale open. Thank you Kelly Klein for chairing. Store is limited due to supply chain issues and will end 11/15. We are hopeful that we can hold a bigger spring sale. Shop here: <https://tinyurl.com/MAShirts>
Supply is limited - possibility run another one in the Spring.
- b. Holiday Shop viewing will be 11/16 and 11/17. Children will get order forms and view items. Orders will be placed on form. PTO “elves” will fulfill orders 12/6. **We will need lots of elves!** Bagged orders will be delivered to the school.
- c. Polar Express Hot Cocoa 12/22. Gift books are purchased and ready. Beautiful hardcover “Winter is Here” book will be gifted to each child. Have to rethink event without the AP room. Possibly deliver hot cocoa and books to each classroom.
- d. Gingerbread person lawn hunt coming back- chaired by Chrissy Pirnak. Dec 3-15. Raffle prizes for participants.
- e. MoMA winter art show- 12/13 6-8pm. (note date change) Artome not available. Framing artwork ourselves. **Will need LOTS of help framing and setting up.** Christie Alotta chairing event. Have hot cocoa sponsor. Need cookie sponsor. Schedule for helpers will be coming soon. Parents help frame the artwork from Dec 6th to Dec 12th Look at the high school

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will sponsor the

volunteers to help frame. Flyer is done and looking for cookie donations. hot cocoa. Pre-Sale on Cheddar Up to purchase prior to the event.

- f. Krispy Kreme sale is live! Pick up will be at MoMA on your way out of the event. Purchase donuts here: <https://krispy-kreme-fundraiser.cheddarup.com> Thank you Jennifer Pendzick for chairing. Buy extra donuts to sell the night of.
- g. Picture Retakes 11/17. Send back your prints for retake.
- h. SWR PTA/O Blood Drive will be held at Wading River School on 11/16, 3:15-7:45pm. Visit www.nybc.org to make an appointment. Please reach out to Mrs. Steinbrecher at asteinbrecher@swr.k12.ny.us with any questions. MAPTO will be donating desserts for the blood drive volunteers.
- i. Pledgestar fundraising idea: Mary Jo Loughlin to explain website pledge-based fundraiser. All special areas set up fun activities and incentives and they just asked for pledges. Doing a big spring fundraiser with a fun run at the end. Mrs. Smith is willing to put something together.
- j. Square 1 Art creations mailed to the company. Keep an eye out for order forms. Thanks to Stacy Yuhass for chairing. Should be coming soon.
- k. First graders will still get a shirt, we are waiting for them to get in, so each class gets another color.

V. Other Business:

- a. Questions/Concerns. Floor is open to anyone who has suggestions, ideas, or would like to create something new.
- b. Move to adjourn

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