



**Franklin Elementary School
General PTO Meeting
June 1, 2018**

MINUTES

- **Principal's Report:** Welcomed everyone. It's been an amazing year. Christie and exec board has done an amazing job this year. So many great initiatives this year—all goals not only accomplished, but exceeded. Parental support and PTO at Franklin are a privilege. On a personal note, feels so grateful for all the support in the past year

- **President's Report :**

Welcome: Christie thanked Mrs. Mirrione for her hard work over the last 3 years.

Playground Update: Fundraising is done. BOE has our check, and they are approving it on their June 14th meeting. Will then place the order. Installation will happen this summer. Old playground unit will be donated to a Central American community. Ribbon cutting ceremony will be during Welcome Barbeque. 80 families donated. A gaga pit is hopefully in the works for next year for both recess and gym

New PTO Executive Board Slate for 2018/2019:

President – Melissa Madden
Vice President – Rachel Callahan
VP Communications – Renata Estupinan
Asst. VP Communications – Erin Pesant
Treasurer – Caroline Heyer
Asst Treasurer – Jenn Hicks
Volunteer Coordinator – Isabel Ribeiro

Board was approved.

Thank You Volunteers: Thank you for coming!

School Supply Kits: Melissa announced that it is now time to order school supply kits. We will be using a new company with lower prices and increased quality. Deadline is June 30th. Kits get delivered straight to the classrooms, making it very easy for parents.

- **Treasurer's Report :** Paula was not able to attend—we are in excellent financial situation, Franklin Fair did extremely well. Mrs. Mirrione commented on how the school and BOE were able to make improvements to the outside area in the last 3 years (blacktop, car line, swings, basketball, planters, teaching garden, etc). This was a true community effort not only by the PTO but also by the boy scouts and girl scouts in the community, and with the support of the BOE.

- **PTO Board Member Reports:**

Volunteer Coordinator: Isabel gave an update on the opportunities open for next year. Co-chairs for Franklin Fair are needed. This is an important job, but will have a lot of support from PTO. Other opportunities are: doing the planters outside (replace plants twice a year), spirit wear sale, back to school ice pops, after school enrichment.

Communications: The new point person for communications starting today is Renata Estupinan, who is in charge of the Sunday blast, posting to PTO website and any other blast email needs. Deadline for the Sunday blast will be end of day Thursday, and for other blasts 24hs prior.

- **Upcoming Events**

- BMX Bike Show Assembly, June 1 @ 1pm & 2pm
- 5th Grade Blacktop Party, June 1 @ 5pm

- 1st grade Orientation, June 5 @ 6:30pm
- 5th Grade Pool Party, June 6 @ 11am
- 5th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, June 21 @ 9am
- Last Day of School, June 21 Single Session

Field trips: A discussion about field trips ensued. Parents were concerned that not enough drivers/chaperones were fingerprinted/available for the trips. Christie and Melissa pointed out that the PTO is working through a parent Field trip coordinator to improve this situation. PTO is also looking into funding for more buses, but the chaperone problem will remain. A push for 1st grade parents to be fingerprinted is a good idea.

There was a question and answer session covering: time for lunch, school safety.