March 11, 2019 6:00-7:00pm

Attendance: Dianne Darbouze, Lavita McMath Turner, Imebet Blair-Carter, Kemala Karmen, Astrid Lewis Reedy, Meibell Contreras, Kirsti Craig, Rachel Pratt (phone-in)

A. Meeting Opener

- o Welcome (Lavita)
- o February minutes (Lavita)

B. Treasurer's Report

o Treasurer's report read by Kirsti

• Committee Reports

Spring Fling

- Eblasts have been going out 3 days/week
- Thanks to Elizabeth Downer, Robin Lear and Andy McDowell for the video
- Thanks to Lisa Burdage + John Haddocks for the comics
- Have been sending direct emails to classes
- Tickets are on sale
- Countdown: 50 days left!
- Kim Siller created flyers for the Fling
- Exec board member have a free ticket to give to an ICE community member due to financial constraints or if they don't know anyone

o Opt-Out of NYS Testing 2019 (Kemala)

- A lot fewer opting out for 7th grade. More in 6th grade.
- Amy & Kemala will craft one letter for each grade rep to distribute
- How best to craft the message simple but nuanced

March PTA Meeting (Dianne)

- Next week Weds Mar 20
- Pete will lead the meeting
- Topics:
 - Parent Communication
 - Supporting children through grief
- Save the date e-blast should go out separately from the newsletter
- Dianne will send a message for grade reps to share

April PTA Meeting: Screenagers screening (Dianne)

- Licensed psychologist will be moderating
- Will encourage parents to share with friends outside of school
- Will promote to local schools

Teacher Appreciation (Dianne)

- May 31st
- Alisa Payne (9th grade parent) will be coordinating

Exec. Board Meeting

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- o Exec Board (Imebet/Dianne)
 - Current
 - Will reach out to current executive board members via email and at meetings to find out who is remaining
 - 3 SLT positions need to be filled
 - **2019-2020**
 - We need a new nominating committee (1 or 2 volunteers)
 - \circ Most of the job is via email, reaching out to parents
 - o Should not be someone from the Executive Board

C. Meeting Adjourned