



Minutes of the East Moriches PTO Meeting  
April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

A meeting of the East Moriches PTO was held on Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the East Moriches Middle School.

**PTO Board Attendees:** President- Melissa Davis; Vice-President - Lauren Otto; Corresponding Secretary- Maureen LaRocca, Recording Secretary- Alexis Heinz

**PTO Guest Attendees:** Mrs. Pesce, Middle School Principal, was present; as well as PTO Teacher Rep Mrs. Percoco.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04 pm. Melissa welcomed everyone. Babysitting was provided by the NJHS.

**Minutes:** The March 2025 Meeting Minutes were dispensed, and members reviewed them. The Minutes are also available online at <https://empto.org>. A motion to approve March 2025 minutes was made by Dariah and seconded by Mrs. Percoco.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lauren Otto read the Treasurer's report.

**Events/Fundraisers Updates:**

a. **Completed:**

- i. **Frost Valley Grab & Go Breakfast-** 3/19 Hallie Glick, Cathie Papile & Christina Isolano
- ii. **E.S 1<sup>st</sup>/ 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Bingo:** 3/20 Chaired by Tina Q & Lauren, there were 60 kids in attendance, everything went great!
- iii. **Kindergarten Bingo:** 4/3 Chaired by Lori Barraud & Alexis Heinz, large turn out of about 50 kids, everything was wonderful!
- iv. **M.S. Cupcake Wars:** 3/24 Chaired by William Beckenhaupt & Melissa Webster, double the amount of participation from the previous year! So many left over cupcakes. Next year possibly adjust the flyer so the ingredients are separate from the name
- v. **E.S 3<sup>rd</sup>/ 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bingo:** 4/22 Chaired by Michelle Fernandez, Gabriele Burner, about 30 kids, Michelle was the caller, and she did a great job

b. **Ongoing or Upcoming Business:**

- i. **Field Day Tshirts-** Trish Specht, Shirts have been ordered, once they come in we will organize and send home.
- ii. **Teacher Appreciation Week:** 5/5 through 5/9; Sign-Ups going out
- iii. **Spring 2025 Elections-** Vice President & Treasurer terms will be ending this June. Nominating Committee, there was a nomination submitted on Jess Lyons behalf. She is not interested. There will be self-nominations. **Voting will take place at the May 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting.** An idea was had that at the beginning of the year teachers can

send a Remind out letting parents know about the PTO, the positions we will be voting on at the end of the year and what you need to do to be eligible.

- iv. **Budgeting/ Auditing Committee**- Mrs. Percoco went over the new proposed budget. She spoke with Mr. Schneyer about splitting the cost of Mr. Softee, he is going to speak with the district. **Voting for the new budget will take place at the May 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting**
- v. **Mother's Day Plant Sale**: 5/8 & 5/9, sign-ups for volunteers went out, Lauren is chair, Karen is helping with Middle School, Tina is helping with Elementary School
- vi. **Spiritwear**: Website is live! There have been some orders. We are using Squadlocker.
- vii. **Recess Activity Program**- Mr. Montpetit presented for turf and 4 new swings at the elementary school. He would like to use approx. \$60,100 out of the AMA Account to have these items purchased and installed. **The vote for this will take place at the May 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting.**
- viii. **Artist Fair Night**- Jess Lyons presented this at a previous meeting and is still working on some ideas.
- ix. **GOAT- customized Spiritwear fundraiser possibly for September**

c. **New Business:**

- x. **Scope & Field Day**- Scope will not participate in Fun Fair. They will have their own field day organized by the Scope Teachers. PTO will provide ice pops. Packets will be made for Scope Parents by PTO before the end of the year introducing PTO and the things we do, how to get involved.
- xi. **Kindergarten Orientation: May 14<sup>th</sup> 9:45 AM**- Shirts are in, possibly invite the parents to attend the PTO meeting that night.
- xii. **MS NJHS Inductions: May 15<sup>th</sup>** Maureen will get a cake for after the inductions
- xiii. **MS Fun Fair & Field Day: June 6<sup>th</sup>**- Blow up ands waterslides, no water balloons. Looking for watermelon donations for each grade. Will need a baby pool and a tarp. PTO provides ice pops.
- xiv. **Fundraising Ideas**: 2025- 2026 school year- Alexis Heinz proposed we bring back the Chinese Auction, Mr. Montpetit suggested we find a was to bring in a golf scramble or something for the dads too.

There being no further business, Mr. Montpetit motioned to adjourn, and Mrs. Perococo seconded the motion. The PTO meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

**Questions and/or Comments:** Please keep comments or questions to under 3 minutes.

**Next PTO Meeting** is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 7:00 pm at the Elementary School.