



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

A. Fantis PTO Monthly Assembly - October 2025

Started at: 8:33 pm

Ended at: 9:08 pm

Total Attended: 27 (as of 8:33pm), 37 (8:52pm)

Minutes recorded by: Emily Clifford

1. **Welcome** - Please add child(ren)'s grades to your Zoom name so we can get to know more of you!

2. **Introductions** -



- a. Co-Presidents: Maria Lopez (K & G4), Val Dixon (G2 & G4)
b. Co-Vice Presidents: Vikki Rozakis (G2 & G4), Michele Chebli (G4)
c. Co-Treasurers: Lauren Akinmusuru (G4), Donna Chibbaro (G4)
d. Co-Secretaries: Melissa de Andrade (G4), Emily Clifford (Prek3, G1, &G2)
e. Co-Event Coordinators: Hetal May (G4), Lori Riviere (G1 & G3)
f. Historian: Lauren Geer (G2 & G4)
3. Treasurer's Report & What we've done so far...
Maria thanked last year's PTO for everything they did to support faculty/staff/parents and help with school renovations.
Examples of their achievements were noted.
 - a. July:
 - i. **NEW Used Uniform Sale** (generated \$625)
 - b. August:
 - i. Welcome Back Teacher Breakfast
 - ii. **NEW Used Uniform Sale** (generated \$200)
 - c. September:
 - i. New family & staff gifts
 - ii. **NEW First day of school party!**



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- iii. NEW NY Liberty Game & Halftime tunnel for the kids (generated \$1,000)
- iv. Wine & Cheese at Curriculum Night
- v. PreK-UPK Pastries with Parents
- vi. Welcome Back Social (NEW 50/50 Raffle generated \$695 to PTO & to the winner - Ethel Coffinas)
- vii. NEW Spirit Gear Sale (generated \$350)
- viii. NEW Core Values Thursday Drop Off Photo Ops
- ix. NEW Core Value T-Shirt Contest - Winner: Maya Wade, 6th Grade



- x. K-4 Pastries with Parents & Uniform Sale (generated \$240)

4. What's Coming Up....

- a. October:
 - i. Oct 6: World Teacher's Day (support the [fund](#), & wishlists: [UPK DL](#), [UPK 2](#), [GK](#), [G1](#), [G2](#), [G3](#), [G4](#)!) Thank you for your generosity! Kitchen Pantry has been CLEARED!
 - ii. Oct 10: [K-2 night](#) - Book Signing, Craft & Pizza! Volunteer [here](#)!
 - iii. Oct 16: [G5-8 Pastries with Parents](#); Volunteer [here](#)!
 - iv. Oct 17: Founders Day
 - v. Oct 21: NEW SHAKE SHACK DAY - All purchases with code from the Downtown Brooklyn location will have 25% of the proceeds go back to the PTO. This is for both in-person and Shake Shack app purchases, including delivery.
 - vi. Oct 23: Oxi Day Performance - [Best Seats Auction](#)!
 - vii. Oct 31: Halloween - more info to come! Pop your email in the chat to help coordinate & volunteer! Email the PTO at pto@afantis.org to be part of the Halloween crew! Halloween is a big day at Fantis, starting with the adorable costume parade around the block and the fun lasts all day for all grades PK8th!! Set up will be done the night before or morning of, once



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we confirm after school clubs schedule, etc and we will take all the help we can get!

- b. November:
 - i. Nov 14: G3-5 night
 - ii. Nov 18: **NEW** Thanksgiving Buddy Breakfast
 - iii. Nov 22: **NEW** Konstantinos Argiros Concert!
 - c. **NEW** [PTO Calendar](#) for the remainder of the year!
5. How we support faculty & staff throughout the year
- a. Teacher's Choice Fund (\$250/teacher, including specials)
 - b. Welcome Back Breakfast
 - c. New staff swag gift
 - d. Discounts on spirit gear & tickets when applicable
 - e. World Teacher's Day
 - f. Staff meals on select Parent-Teacher Conference & Staff Development days
 - g. **NEW** Frost Valley chaperone breakfast
 - h. Holiday Party
 - i. Teacher Appreciation Lunch
 - j. End of Year Party
6. Ongoing Fundraisers
- a. **Mabel's Labels:** Durable name labels for gear and clothes. Search our school at www.mabelslabels.com and save on replacing lost items.
 - b. **Minted:** From cards to gifts, enjoy 20% off with code FUNDRAISEAFANTIS while Fantis earns 10% back! Shop at www.minted.com.
 - c. **Squadlocker:** Show off your school pride. Our [Squadlocker](#) Spirit gear is always available, and every order helps fund PTO initiatives.
 - d. **NEW** **Shoott:** Use [our special link](#) for your photo session, and a portion comes right back to A. Fantis.
 - e. **NEW** **RaiseRight:** Every gift card you buy turns everyday purchases such as gas, groceries, coffee, and dining into earnings for our school.
 - i. Create an account at RaiseRight.com/Enroll
 - ii. Enter the enrollment code **6KPJTVYVYN9X** to connect your account to A.Fantis



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- iii. Download the RaiseRight app.
7. Operations and Newsletters:
 - a. [NEW PTO Linktree](#) (updated regularly)
 - b. [NEW PTO bylaws](#) have been updated & approved by the school administration & board
 - c. Submitted an update to the PTO page on the website & portal to Mr. Bakee (9/12)
 - d. [July, August, September](#) Newsletters (October coming out on 10/14)
 - e. Capital Fund: not included in the administration account. Money is earmarked solely for construction and building improvements. \$50k was contributed to the redesign of the classrooms
8. How you can get involved..
 - a. [Volunteer](#) when you can!
 - b. Do you have a business or brand we can partner with? Help sponsor, host, or plan an event - [Parent resource survey](#)
 - c. Become a Class Parent - G6 is looking for a CO-CP!
9. Principal's Report: Mr. T spoke about the great energy since starting the year, best start in his 10 years and thanked all of the new and returning families. He announced an update and improvement to the current dismissal process; Jen and Whitney have been working on a solution via a dismissal app and have identified one called "Pick my kid". They will be onboarding this week with a target roll out of October 20th. Go into the app, select the day and dismissal pathway based on your child and day. Fully customizable- you can set up standard and repeating pick up times, you can change it in the app, it is very user friendly. Updates in real time. Approved guardians that you can enter, with photos. Teachers will have access to it too, so no need to email the school about pick up changes. No more walkie talkies, staff will have ipads. Makes it very efficient, easy and safe!
10. Q&A: [No questions](#)

Next Meeting - November 5, 8:30pm via ZOOM