

# **PS 11 PTA General Meeting**

Minutes

3/16/18

## **Welcome/Approval of February Minutes**

- February meeting minutes approved.

## **Principal's Report**

- Student Council President and VP reported on 1) School Walk Out Day and 2) Dance Day March 29th.
- It was announced that PS 11 is the second largest elementary school in NYC.
- Ballroom dance will be starting soon for 5th graders.
- There will be a Pascal Rioult Modern Dance performance by our 2nd graders soon.
- There are 147 children accepted to kindergarten for next year. There will be 5 classes that include two G&T classes.
- There are 32 PS11 siblings applying for Pre-K next year.
- A new dance floor and mirrors were installed in the dance room on the 5th floor.
- PS 11 received a grant for new theater lighting in the auditorium.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences are going well.

## **Parent Coordinator's Report**

- Please complete school surveys that you received at your parent-teacher conference. Our goal is 100% participation. You can complete the paper copy or complete it online. It only takes 5 minutes. This is one of the only public pieces of information about the school.
- Planning for the PS11 yearbook has started. Information will be coming soon regarding ads. We will also need photo submissions from programs and events throughout the year.

## **President's Report**

- Our new bus safety protocol is successful. We are working to make it a citywide program.
- The PS 11 Nomination Committee is working hard to recruit candidates for next year's PTA Exec committee. If you are interested in running for any position, please email ps11ptapresident@gmail.com.

## **SLT Report**

- The Book Club meeting will take place March 26th, 9am, auditorium. We will be discussing articles on the topic of racial equity.

## **Budget Report**

- We have reached 81% of our annual fund goal.
- Last month checks were written for Ballroom dance, the Washington DC trip and Pascal Rioult Modern Dance.
- There is money coming in from the Fun Run.
- There is an online form people can use to request checks for programs.

## **Fundraising Report**

- The annual fund is tracking a little slower compared to last year, but we are still doing well.
- Coin Drive is April 25th - April 27th. Bank of America will be counting our coins.
- The Fun Run is Tuesday, March 20th. We are receiving great feedback about the event. Our students are watching character building videos and building school spirit. We are tracking to exceed our goal of \$50,000.
- Charity Buzz still needs items to auction. This is a year round program.

## **Membership Report**

- Fall Festival for next year will be held on October 20th.
- We are looking for different ideas for Comedy for a Cause Kids. If you are interested in helping with this event next year email ps11events@gmail.com.
- Gala/Auction - 1) Camps Auction going on now with \$4,700 raised to date. 2) There have been 200 items donated for the Gala so far. The committee needs more physical items. 3) The theme is Under the Sea. 4) March 26th - March 30th General Admission Tickets will be selling for \$50 per ticket. BIG SALE!

## **Events Report**

The Coin Drive needs volunteers on April 25th - April 27th.

## **Programs Report**

- The PS11 Chess team went to the state tournament and our students did well.
- Cafe Con Leche went well.
- The Garden Committee will be facilitating lavender and mint sachet workshops on March 22nd and March 29th.
- Young Artist committee is looking for a gallery for the show.
- The latest edition of the PS11 newspaper is out.
- The Merchandise committee will be selling PS11 PJs soon.

## **Communications Report**

- Looking into linking the PTA email with the Class Dojo app.
- Researching different ways to increase our social media presence (e.g., Instagram, etc.)

## **Adjournment**

9:40am