



**General Meeting
April 23, 2021
Meeting Minutes**

Welcome 9:05am / Approval of March minutes - Approved

Principal's Report - Bob Bender

- Special Guest Ms Elkarrinmy (3rd grade teacher) - special project open to 3rd-5th grade students. Enrich lives of students for a diverse community. Ensure kids feel like they are agents of change. To join the ps11 Name Change committee. Commitment starting this year continuing until next year. Select someone who matches the values from the school
- Monday new school over 500 kids coming in - all families coming in for in-person school will be getting an email regarding changes to morning drop off procedures

Parent Coordinator's Report - Stephen McGill

- Next Friday will be the last day for parents to accept their Kindergarten offers. We will be reaching out to families on how pre-registration will be handled
- G&T placement. Nomination forms are going out now to teachers. Around memorial day parents will find out if their children are being nominated
- G&T K-3 acceptance offers will probably be distributed at the end of June
- Community CityWide Education Council Elections starting May 1-11. For the first time, all families are eligible to vote. If you are not familiar with the CEC (Community Education Council) this is a great opportunity to familiarize yourself on DOE website. All families have a voice. All candidates have a profile/statements available for review.
- Middle School offers may come out around May 31st
- No Pre-K info as of yet

SLT Report - Jordan Wright (ps11slt@gmail.com)

- Sponsoring a workshop around dealing with stress - how to deal with short fuses
 - May 7 Friday, will be recorded for people who can't make it
- Next year's SLT - election will happen at the June
- 2 parent position 2 year commitment meets once a month (½ parents, ½ teachers + debbie)
- Please consider running and contact Jordan Wright ps11slt@gmail.com with any questions

President's Report - Jackie Paolone & Lisa Cox (ps11ptapresident@gmail.com)

- Construction Update
- Remote School Pictures Reminder and Class Composite Pictures
 - K-4 coming up, 5th grade is done, makeup round May 3-9 for those who missed their appointment (not retakes)
- This is important as we'd like to have a class photo composite - please pass the word on as it won't be possible without participation
- 5th Grade Graduation Special Purpose Donation Fundraiser - thank you for your participation even if your child is not a 5th grader. Planning to do some special things to celebrate this year



- Nominating Committee- volunteers welcome, spots still available, slate will be presented at next PTA general meetings, and nominations from the floor are allowed at that meeting as well
- Teacher and Staff Appreciation vote - Board decided to have weekly events (8wks) for teacher appreciation. We have some funds from family fun-raisers, about \$800
 - Ideas: breakfast, hanging messages to our teachers on the fence, appreciation books, icee vouchers, raffle, end of year teacher party
 - Made a motion to increase the \$800 to \$6000 - approved
 - May 3rd week is first
- Reminder CEC election May 1-11

Budget Report - Monica Chun & Sarah Kim (ps11treasurerchelsea@gmail.com)

- 24K in donations (mostly read-athon)
- Expenses - teacher appreciation, label and cases for laptops
- \$360K in bank
- 76% of our annual fund donations toward goal

Fundraising Report - Juliet Hernandez & Tess Knoebel (ps11annualfund@gmail.com)

- Charity Buzz in auction items, if anyone has any ideas
- Family match - reaching out to see if any families are interested
- Special Fund Donations for 5th grader
- T-shirt design contest - and all 5th graders will get one
- Annual fund donations are still open!

Events Report - Leslie Sloane & Lucy Flint (ps11ptaevents@gmail.com)

- Upcoming events - very happy that money raised from fun-raisers can be used for a special cause (teacher appreciation)
- Little Island event - in the works
- Eye on next year - if anyone wants to get involved. Really want to plan as much as we can to bring together the school community

Programs Report - Mori Ninomiya & Domenica Mastroianni (ps11ptaprograms@gmail.com)

- Scholastic Book fair - new April 25 runs thru May 8
- Merchandise is going to start up again a couple days a week
- Online graduation merchandise site will be available soon
- PS11 Post - winter edition pdf is downloadable from the ps11 website

Membership Report - Jen Dickson & Jessica Zabarkus (ps11volunteer@gmail.com)

- K Coffee is turning into Community Coffee - to open it up to all parents.
 - Next first one will be with Jordan/ SLT and pandemic parenting
- Call for parent volunteers for end of year activities (such as parent appreciation)



Communications Report - Pia Padukone & Julie Carpenter (ptaps11@gmail.com)

- Young Artists - had a few meetings and met with Ms Larson, Covid commemoration project in the works for June
- Kids can participate during the school day, so as many kids as possible participate
- Volunteers will be needed - will keep you posted

Construction update (Bob) - any covid case required construction to stop
That plan has just been revised. Mid 2022 for completion.

Adjournment 10:04am