



**PTA General Meeting
March 18, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Welcome

- 9:15 am

Principal's Report - Bob Bender

- Name change update given.
- Updates on COVID testing requirements provided.
- Hosting family events again soon in person. Department of Ed protocol: Proof of one COVID vaccine required to enter the school. Will also live stream or record events.
 - Moving on Ceremony
 - Little Mermaid play –performances in-school, matinees, evenings
- Overnight trips and school dance coming up for 4th and 5th graders. All participants must be fully vaccinated in order to attend these events.
- Picture day is coming up.
- Update on the Ukraine situation. Please let us know if any child needs social-emotional help. Thank you to the volunteers collecting supplies.
- State testing is returning, the meeting yesterday was recorded.

Parent Coordinator's Report – Stephen McGill

- Middle school process updates: priority now applies to students with a sibling in 6th or 7th grade.
- No update on G&T for next year at this time.
- Kindergarten offers are coming shortly. If your child is not accepted but has a sibling at PS 11, please contact Mr. McGill.
- Please continue to update the DOE about your child's vaccination status.
- For picture day: we will have group photos again but children may keep masks on. Pre-K children will have to keep masks on.
- Please respond to the survey on the NYC Schools account. Deadline is March 25.



SLT Report - Jordan Wright (ps11SLT@gmail.com)

- Working on ways to get parents into the school for events.
- Working on an end-of-year event for the community.

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

- Safety Update: We have had issues lately, including a person getting into the yard at pick up, and we may need parent assistance with communications to parties who can assist us, including the NYPD and elected officials. Please continue to make 911 calls when you see issues. We have added No Trespassing signs at the school.
- Nominating Committee Update: Introducing the Nominating Committee who will suggest a slate for the Executive Board of the PTA for next year. Email: ps11nominatingcom@gmail.com if you are interested. SLT will also have openings, to be discussed in April's meeting.

Budget / Finance Report - Kunal Prakash and Maria Melendez (ps11treasurerchelsea@gmail.com)

- Finance report was shared, including Read-a-Thon and Annual Fund update and information about expenses.
- Budget increase sought for the 5th grade show. Vote was held on the budget increase. 100% of votes approved. The vote passes.

Fundraising Report - Mori Ninomiya & Tess Knoebel (ps11annualfund@gmail.com)

- Announcing a Golden Ticket Fundraiser. Chocolate bars will have golden ticket prizes.
- Reminder, still seeking Annual Fund donations.

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

- No spring festival or comedy events because of timing. Working on a gala and will confirm a date soon, seeking volunteers for this.

Programs Report - Kristina Hammond & Domenica Mastroianni (ps11ptaprograms@gmail.com)

- Programs update provided.
- Chess team recently went to state championships.
- Yearbook update.
- T-shirts for Little Mermaid available.



Membership Report - Jen Dickson & Steve Ioannou (ps11volunteer@gmail.com)

- Volunteers needed for many events and for other roles that are listed in the family liaison newsletter.
 - Garden Committee is looking for a pick-up truck.
- Next Community Coffee: Friday, April 8.

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

- PS 11 Digest lists everything that's going on this week.

Community Q&A

- Sign up for community email list on the web site.

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