

PTA Community Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 18, 2023

Principal update, Ms. Joanna

- Last parent workshop of the year next week via zoom only. Topic - talking about sex with your kids. Register at:
https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYpdO2trzwHteV_IPYvRwK1XOk1leo69lq#/registration
- Thank you to all who bought tickets for Time with Teacher raffle; Principal for a day was Giovanni X., who spent the day alongside Ms. Joanna
- **Oppose planned school budget cuts!!!!**
 - Red the letter to Mayor Adams here:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sZ4b35GQAvBx6asSgMszC2Ukzx8TM9eNhTnNJmHacFs/edit>
 - Sign the petition here, that you agree with the message in the letter linked above:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeH-wfWHK0URaZY3j2pOztV-LBepMIDIi_KdYhEtpLRXO2FeQ/viewform
 - Join the Rally opposing budget cuts - May 22, 11:30 am @ Tweed Courthouse in Manhattan
- Thank you for sending letters to get Agent Sharon back; it's likely she will come back in September
- Thank you for participating in STEM day, Spring Auction & Gala, Art Day, Earth month, river sweep, teacher appreciation week, movie night

Parent Coordinator update, Nadia

- Alvin Ailey residency performances next week for 2-3rd grade
- NDI presentation June 6 for 4th grade
- 5th grade upcoming events - talent show, graduation coming up
- Uptick in strep cases, if your child has strep please keep home for 24 hours after starting antibiotic and your child is fever-free for 24 hours

After School update, Pamela

- Afterschool runs thru last day of school
- Some specialty programs will have performances in June; you will be notified via email of your child's program performances
- Next year's programs will be decided over summer; open house and pricing to be released in August.
- Make sure to pick your kids up on time from afterschool by 6pm

PTA Executive Board - new member voting

- Co-President, Mike Lew
- VP of Development, (Annual Fund), Nisha Aoyama
- Co-Treasurer, Aby Ayanbule
- Co-chair Events, Audrey Stipanovich
- Co-chair Events, Gemma Niblett
- Co-Community Outreach Director, Emily Hager; 2nd co-chair for this role open
- SLT parent member,, Leah Holzer
- SLT parent member, Rika Wilcox

*All the above were confirmed by majority vote

Treasurer update, Ayca

- We are on track with our revenues and expenses and our budget is healthy
- Preparing final report due to DOE end of June

Annual Fund update, Cynthia

- Raised \$192K of \$220K goal
- The annual fund is our biggest and most important fundraiser and supports so many wonderful programs and resources at our school; it's not too late to give! Online donations can be made via Konstella
- Now accepting donations of stock

Spring Auction update, Elyse

- \$50K profit raised!!!
- PS 107 whiskey bottles are still available: Purchase here:
<https://seelbachs.com/products/rare-character-x-ps-107-auction-gala-2023>

Community Outreach update, Brittany

- \$2,500 received from New York City Runs for the Brooklyn Half Marathon
- CHiPs donations continuing each Wednesday
- Increased need for necessities for asylum seekers in our area; Robert Carroll's office accepting donations

Special Education Support Cmte, Amber Lewis

- Workshop next Wednesday 5/24, 7pm - middle school application panel with focus on special education; parents will discuss their middle school experiences and IEP coordinator will offer insights Register here:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsceqopjgiGdcCN4sv4InJs5us7AHCTRte#/registration>

Green Cmte update, Kajal

- May 24-25 collection for hard to recycle items, see QR code, school will earn money; see list of acceptable donations (i.e. Toothpaste, brushes, squeeze pouches)
- For PTA events will continue working to replace plastic water bottles with water coolers for your refillable water bottles

Upcoming Events, Cynthia

- Spring Fling, June 7, 6:30-9pm; volunteers needed
- Big Yard Games, June 12 during school day
- Fall Festival, October; volunteers needed