

PS199 PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - APPROVED
May 4, 2017

PRESENT

Andrea Steinkamp
Amy Friedland
Ed Aldridge
Jenni Wolf
Lara Bursor
Melissa Dye
Rebecca Zimba
Victoria Micalizzi
Michelle Gahwyler
Enrique Gonzales
Dorine Grollman
Jenn MacFarlane
Kate Stephan

ABSENT

Moe Bardach
Leslie Cawdron
Sebastian Lieng
Danielle Winfield
Renee Eanes
Imran Husain
Jill Urban

GUESTS

Sofia Hubscher
Claudia Jannucci
Victoria Kopper (SLT)
Maria Paskowistz

- Amy motioned to approve the April 2017 EB Minutes. Lara seconded the motion. Unanimous approval of April 2017 EB Minutes.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE - Andrea on behalf of Louise

- PCB Update – Remediation work scheduled, suddenly, over the summer. They will be focusing on the caulk, which has tested high. Retesting will be expected by the SCA. The SLT will continue working with the SCA, DSF, and EPA to look for the source of the PCBs.
- Science Classroom Upgrade. Louise met with Brian McGinn of the SCA and did a walk through to discuss our vision for the science center within the school. May 17th another meeting and walk through will take place. The stretch goal is to be finished for Fall 2017.
- Math State Test Update. No tears, according to Louise! Some discussion about the utility of the 5th grade test relative to middle school admission and placement.

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE - Andrea and Victoria

- Screenagers download - April 27th. Very low turn out at the live screening. If we do something like this again we'll work to make it easier for more families/parents to come.
- Nominations for Officer Positions/Other Committees.
 - Walkathon
 - Welcoming Committee
 - Wine Tasting
 - Broadway Night
- We love our PALs and would welcome any questions about the executive board positions or committee chair positions. Claudia asked about how feasible being on executive board is for a working parent. Working parents currently on exec board gave their input on how they make it work. There are many positions that don't require prior experience on the PTA, such as recording secretary and co-corresponding secretaries. There will be some returning exec board members next year, so the knowledge isn't all leaving the room.
- Directory/Volunteer Software Conversation. Andrea asked a few people to look at ClassTag as a directory for the school as well as a potential replacement for class Shutterfly sites and iVolunteer. Discussion about the plusses and minuses of the different options. Will invite more people to review and will put on the agenda for the June exec board meeting.
- Bylaws Review. We are required to review the Bylaws this year. Enrique mentioned that teachers are entitled to vote in PTA elections. How can we accommodate teachers who want to vote without violating the bylaws? We will continue

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon – May 5th
- Earth Day Fair – May 6th, 1:00pm
- Book Fair – May 8th – 12th
- General PTA Meeting (ELECTIONS) – May 18th, 8:45am – Moe will do the food.
- Soft Lacrosse Fitness FUNdraiser – May 19th, 6:00pm and 6:45pm

TREASURER UPDATE

- Budget to Actual Review.
- Auction revenue discussed. Jenn MacFarlane spoke to the question of growth in revenue this year. Passport, increased ticket prices, corporate sponsorships increased, silent auction revenue. However, the online auction was down, perhaps because of the 3rd and 4th grade baskets.
- Fairway revenue discussed.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Auction Update. Next year's auction is March 10, 2018
- Fundraising Update – Yankees game was a big success - sold out!
- School Store closes tonight for spirit wear.

MAY PTA MEETING AGENDA– May 18, 2017 @ 8:4am

PTA & SLT Elections, Q&A with Principal Xerri - General Meeting begins at 8:45am – Breakfast will be served

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rebecca Zimba, Recording Secretary