



JUNE PTA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date, Time, and Location: Wednesday, June 14 , 2017, 8:00 a.m., Auditorium

Board Members Present: Julie Couser (President), Jerome Tagger (Treasurer) Aisha Johnson (Assistant Treasurer) Max Duykers (Secretary of Communications) , Denise Stokes (VP of Community), Kathryn Mora (Recording Secretary), Christina Prostano (VP Playlab 133), April Johnson (VP Playlab 133)

(At least 8 association members, including a minimum of 2 board members and 6 parent members present; a quorum was reached.)

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the President at 8:32 pm.

MINUTES: Reading of the May meeting minutes was waived and minutes were accepted. There were zero (0) abstentions.

PTA/SLT Candidates: Opportunity for last words before voting ends.

Aisha Johnson

Kathryn Mora

Denise Stokes

Patti Berne

Cassandra Tennyson

JoAnn Benoit

Naomi Raquel Enright

Jessica Walker-Beaumont

Tim Wilkins

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: presented by Julie Couser

It's been an amazing year with more people volunteering than ever before. Here are some highlights from 2016-2017:

- New Community Events:
 - BooHoo Yahoo Breakfast
 - World Culture Day
 - CHIPS Toiletry Drive
 - Uniform Swap,
 - UNICEF Collection,
 - Parents Helping Parents Coffee & Conversation,
 - Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast,
 - Bullying Presentation
 - Open Library Hours

- Increased level of communication

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- Communications Committee worked hard to get close to full parent list for PTA use
- Tightened-up Web site & Increased postings from outside the PS 133 Community
- Improved syncing between online calendar and printed calendar
- playlab133
 - First year with director in place - huge improvements overall in running of the program.
- Fundraising
 - Auction was smoothest yet and most well attended by people across the community!
 - Introduced Dine & Donate
 - Continued to increase revenue and by and large hit goals!
- Volunteerism
 - Huge increases across the community - over 130 volunteers this year came together to make every effort possible
- Budgeting
 - After three years, in a cash positive situation to be able to plan better overall!

REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Jerome Tagger

- May Cash Position: \$305,605.97
- Year End Net Revenue Estimate:\$75,000 (still)
- Auction (not final):
 - NET Income approx: \$58K
 - Expenses approx \$16K (including payout to Steiner and CC Fees)
 - PS133 Challenge: \$16,438

Motion on the floor to pay back the school \$33,585. The school paid for TFNA and Classroom libraries at the beginning of the year so we are paying them back for that.

All in favor, 0 abstentions. Motion passed

The PTA presented a check for \$182,771 which is the total contribution of what the PTA gave this school year. Ms. Foster Mann and Ms Credle accepted the check.

Motion on the floor to accept the budget for 2017-2018.

All in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Budget has been approved.

BYLAWS Amendments presented by Aisha Johnson

- There were additional comments made during the last meeting. Would like to vote them in as an entirety.

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Questions/ comments presented about the proposed changes:

1. The A660 requires that co's have clear definitions of who will have voting rights, for example the CEC and Presidents council. This has been removed from the updated Bylaws. It should indicate that if there are co's, which co has voting rights.

- There is a different interpretation on what the A660 says. Some think the above mentioned is an issue and others don't.

2. Having co's for the Treasurer position seems like a bad idea. The treasurer is the PTA's CFO- having more than one treasure opens the PTA up to potential issues. It is important and helpful to have assistant treasurers to help but the Treasurer needs to have full accountability to make sure the business is running smoothly. The current treasurer is in agreement with this.

- There is a disagreement about what is the best way to move forward.

3. Specific reference of Quickbook was taken out in regards to the managing of PTA money.

- Disagreement about how to move forward.

4. The A660 rules for how to record misconduct was removed (Aisha Johnson will make sure this has not been deleted by accident from the document)

5. The dates that mandatory positions must be filled has been removed and is required by A660.

- Disagreement about what A660 requires.

Motion to table 4 of the above issues 1-3 and 5 until the Fall and try to get more parents involved in the hopes of being more transparent and open to the community for ideas and input.

All in favor. 0 abstentions. Motion passed

Motion on the floor to accept all the other changes (except the above referenced) in their entirety.

All in favor. 0 abstentions. Motion passed

Presented by Max Duykers:

The Every School Speed Safety Act Resolution for Consideration

- Recommended by Renee Burke – CEC District 13 representative
- Summary of Legislation
 1. Allow speed enforcement cameras in any school zone within New York City,
 2. Expand the radius to ¼ mile from a school within which such a camera can be positioned,
 3. Allow the cameras to operate all days at any time of the day, and
 4. Make the camera program permanent. It will also prohibit placing a camera within 300 feet of a highway exit ramp and will require a sign to alert drivers of all photo-enforced school zones.
- Should the resolution pass - send a letter of support with the signed resolution to:
 - Families for Safe Streets
 - Transportation Alternatives

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Motion presented, all in favor, 0 abstentions. MOTION PASSED

Accepting in the uncontested positions:

1. Treasurer: Jerome Tagger
2. Assistant Treasurer: Nathalie Dessyn
3. Recording Secretary: Genevieve deGaillande
4. Secretary of Communications: Max Duykers
5. VPs of Development (all co-chairs): Ann Henry, Christa Rimonneau, & Jen Skoda
6. VP of Extended Day: April Johnson

198 people voted. The winners are:

President: Aisha Johnson

VP of Community involvement: Denise Stokes

SLT: JoAnn Benoit and Tim Fraser and Naomi Enright

NEXT MEETING: Next School Year!

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 10:41am by Recording Secretary.

Minutes compiled by Kathryn Mora, Recording Secretary

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