



## January PTA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Date, Time, and Location:** Wednesday, January 25, 2017, 8:30 a.m., Auditorium

**Board Members Present:** Julie Couser (President), Kathryn Mora (Recording Secretary), April Jonhson (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 8:28am.

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

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** presented by Julie Couser.

1. Check website regularly for resources
2. Website has been updated and includes links to middle school options, teacher contact info, latest and current events and many more. Please use as resource.
3. How can I get involved in showing teacher appreciation. Teacher appreciation supper in March and teacher appreciation in May. We need a parent to lead this.
4. Upcoming Feb. Events

++Tim Wilkin on ReadATHon: All month of February. Reading challenges over Feb break. Will be activities throughout the month. Story time, International book fair on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> before and after school. First Friday will be reading.

### **REPORTS**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** presented by Julie Couser

- Thank you everyone for the Annual Appeal donations
- We are at 13% higher in donations than where we were last year.
- Part of the French community is transient which effects our donations. About 20 families moved out of state.
- Next year we are going to shorten the time window we do annual appeal.

Cash position 295,776.98. Hitting on average income and revenues.  
Playlab enrollment tracking ahead.

Bake sales have exceeded in sales. Thank you to all those who have helped with that. If you donated over \$75 in 2016 to the Annual Appeal you will receive a tax letter this month.

## *TO BE APPROVED BY MEMBERSHIP*

Come to the budget committee on Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:20am if you want to have a say in the enrichment programming for the next school year.

### **PRINCIPALS REPORT:**

- Our afterschool and early bird programs have started. There is something happening everyday of the week. BOKS, chess, math games... Please inquire about that.
- There is afterschool language and early intervention help.
- At the end of this week you will receive a progress report. Snapshot of how your child is doing from the last report card.
- readathon is coming in Feb. The school is supporting this and wants everyone to participate. Will have spirit week dedicated to this.
- Studio in a School second term starts next week. K, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 2 second grade classes will be doing in this year.
- Grade 1 and 2 marquis studio residency is starting this week. 5<sup>th</sup> grade starting salsa classes.
- When we loose families year to year, we need to recruit more heavily. We want to maintain a diverse community. Please help.
- Next year we will only have 3 PreK classes instead of 4 to make space for other grades.
- Classes sizes will grow. Average size is 22 students but it can go up to 32 students in a class.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Fundraising Committee: Presented by Christa Rimmoneau**

- Bloom auction on May 6<sup>th</sup> at BRIC
- We need a lot of help getting it together. Need donations. Need volunteers. There are a lot of areas to get involved. Please come to the meeting this Friday 1/28 at 8:30am in the PTA.
- It's a really fun night that the whole community can join.

#### **CEC Report: presented by Rene and Elena Romero**

- Two term runs.
- CEC is community Education Council, they report to the chancellor.
- They are the voice of parents and are elected. They help determine school rezonings. Liason between parents and DOE.
- They work for the district not individual schools.
- If anyone is interested think about entire district on global level.
- Responsibility of CEC member: 2-4 meetings a month
- Term is ending. Next election is coming up. Flyers in Mr. D's office and info will be on website.
- There are committees CEC members can join
- District 13 is hosting a dress for success clothing drive. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be involved.
- District 13 is hosting science expo. Will be held at PS 282 on May 11.
- PS 282 will no longer be a middle school. Effective 2018 only elementary school.
- New middle school opening.
- MBK grant won by District 13 to improve literacy.
- District 15 held summer camp resource fair
- List of camps will be sent to Mr.D. and listed on school website

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**SLT presented by Denise Stokes**

- VP of Community Development
- SLT is School Leadership Team. They meet once a month.
- Currently editing the CEP (Comprehensive Educational Plan). They review needs, assessments, goals and action plans per DOE. Based on reviewing academics.
- CEP and notes are public info. Go to PS133 website to view.
- 4 parents and 4 teachers and Principal on SLT.
- WIG – widely important goals: attendance, reading and math.
- Outside of each classroom, classroom goals are posted. There will be a chart outside main office with school wide goals posted.
- With one month notice, anyone can join meeting.
- DOE releases Quality Review: Improved in all areas since last review.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade compared. Fluency was very clear.

**Performing Arts Committee presented by Esra Dayani:**

Looking for additional co-chair.

4<sup>th</sup> grade will host Native American plays. Professional actors will act out their plays.

**NEXT MEETING:** February 15 at 6pm

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 9:39 by President.

Minutes compiled by Kathryn Mora, Recording Secretary

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