



## FEBRUARY PTA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Date, Time, and Location: Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 6:00pm - auditorium**

### **Board Members Present:**

Aisha Johnson (President), Max Duykers (Treasurer), Jen Skoda (Co-VP of Development), Angela Pennyfeather (Secretary of Communications) Ann Henry (Co-VP of Development), Tim Wilkins (Co-Recording Secretary)

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

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by President, Aisha Johnson, at 6:09 pm. No principal's report was given.

### **2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Aisha Johnson**

- Discussion of how to prepare for the Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon, during Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday, March 15
- Discussion of DOE school survey: open from 2/11 to 4/3. HFM wants to increase participation, will try to distribute by 3/1. Encourage parents to participate as it helps our standing with the DOE
- Discussion of Parent Square: 97 percent of parents have supposedly signed up. Moving forward, will be the only vehicle for parent engagement: website calendar is no longer being updated. Challenges in getting parents, especially non-English speakers, to sign up
- Discussion of online resources available to families: RAZ, BrainPop, Brain Power
- How to phase in class photo signup - staff a table during Parent-Teacher Conferences?
- Discussion of volunteerism: how to do more one-on-one outreach?
- Message from HFM: don't send your child to school unless they've been fever-free for 24 hours

### **READING + APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2018 MEETING MINUTES**

No abstentions or objections.

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**3. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**GARDEN COMMITTEE- Amber Graham [garden@ps133brooklyn.org](mailto:garden@ps133brooklyn.org)**

Meeting 2/14, to launch the DS13 garden initiative, Ms. Harbin will speak on Monarch Butterfly hosting

**5TH GRADE COMMITTEE: (Aisha)**

Meeting in cafeteria 2/14, HFM is paying for 5th grade day trip to Connecticut

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (Angela Pennyfeather, [communications@ps133brooklyn.org](mailto:communications@ps133brooklyn.org) )**

Shifting all parent communications from website to Parent Square, next meeting is 2/27 at 8:15

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE (Seri Worden, [development@ps133brooklyn.org](mailto:development@ps133brooklyn.org))**

Bogota restaurant will host a dining day fundraiser on 3/14, we get 10 percent of the proceeds

Tiffany said Case will ask about the World Resort Casino donation.

Ann: Auction tickets are live

Boxtops: not a competition, we're collection as a school (last year, we raised \$900)

**LEARNING DIFFERENCES COMMITTEE (RLD): Tonya**

Asked about GoFundMe to buy non-breakable mirrors for Ms. Wylie's dance program

**GRANTS COMMITTEE:**

2 rounds, due 25th of February and March

**LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY COMMITTEE (LCD): Tim Wilkins, [escuela@ps133brooklyn.org](mailto:escuela@ps133brooklyn.org)**

First "Desayuno en español" was Tuesday, 2/11. HFM, Credle and Dickerson joined us for presentations on immigrant rights and community resources.

**COMMUNITY: Ann Henry & Tonya Taylor**

Discussion of PTC luncheon (Tonya & Ann 3/14)

\$1500 budgeted for Community this year, only \$60 spent so far

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Max Duykers [treasurer@ps133brooklyn.org](mailto:treasurer@ps133brooklyn.org)**

First budget meeting is 3/15

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Bake sale 3/21

How to increase march sales? currently at break-even

revenue from movie night, dance party, boxtops

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Financial report circulated:

- First two pages are activity during the month of December only, the last two pages are activity through the entire year.
- Our fiscal year starts in July and goes through December 31st.
- All money goes back into the school for enrichment, we don't make any money.
- Our goal is to be able to write a large check to the school at the end of the year. This is itemized on the report, under student enrichment.

Motion, second, no objections or abstentions. Motion passes.

**ALL OTHER BUSINESS:**

AMBER: ordered pizza

READATHON:

4/19-28 this year

Goal is to distribute a bookmark to every kid: kids enter contest to design the other side. Two groups, from PK-2 and 3-5 Student government will help select winner

TONYA: is there a Goodreads account for readathon?

Nick Bruehl, the "Bad Kitty" author, will come for a school visit

We have 2 boxes of books from Penguin to give away, Sandra Boynton books to give away

Rummage sale 5/4

**NEXT MEETING:** TBD

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8 pm by the President.

Minutes compiled by Tim Wilkins, Co-Recording Secretary

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