

**PS110 - PTA MEETING SUMMARY**  
**FEBRUARY 6TH, 2019**

**In Attendance**

Erica Young, PTA President

Shelly Garinther, Co-Secretary

Marcus Keyzer , Co-Treasurer

Ms Raciunas, Assistant Principal

Tanya Kotov, Co-Treasurer

Amy Chalkely, Parent Coordinator

Stephanie Arsham, Co-Secretary

26 Parents

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Welcome

Principal's Report -Ms Raciunas

- Ms Cano is doing well. She will be back shortly and thanks everyone for their kind messages
- The afterschool program for extra school help will begin shortly. Assessments will start and invitations will be given to those kids that need help.

Presidents' Report - Erica Young

- By Law amendments presented. Please see changes on our website. These changes will be voted on at the next PTA meeting to be held on March 6th.
- Lice update: everything is under control. Parents are telling the school and the school is checking classes as needed. Information is going out on the portal as new cases appear. We have decided not to go ahead with professional checking services as spending the money will not solve the problem. No current outbreaks.
- Portal : we should all be signed up. No need to go to the portal as you can receive the information directly to your inbox. Researching new possible modes of communication. Let us know what friends at other schools are using.
- Music Room - two keyboards and four stands are needed so that all classes have enough (28 students in the largest class and only 26 keyboards). Vote approved to spend \$300 accepted.
- Statement from Elsa Nunez of District 14 - Review of PS 110 PTA Expenditure on WITS Program. Full statement was read. Case is closed. See Erica for a copy of the letter.
- Upcoming dates: Cine-school event this Saturday, FUN!Raiser March 9th, March 23rd final Cine-school screening. Also we will still have the Bookfair, FUN!Run, and Sockhop.

#### Parent Coordinator Report - Amy Chakley

- Family night this evening at 6pm with PTA meeting recap and stop animation workshop. Work to be shown at the March Cine-School event. Pot luck event.

#### Treasurer's Report - Erica Young

- We sent in our mid-year financial report to the district that was due on January 31st (document presented at the meeting).

#### Parent Coordinator Report - Amy Chakley

- Family Income Inquiry Forms will go home yet again. It is necessary for the school's funding. Fill it out online (just one form per family). Link will go home through the portal and can also be found on Facebook. Important for the school funding, grants applications but also for middle school applications for your kids. Our goal is to be at 100% with this. Only 230 of the 554 kids have done this application.
- Continue to be vigilant with lice checks at home and checkout the lice check video posted on the portal.

#### Committee Updates

- FUN!Raiser - March 9th. Fleur, co-chair. Coming up soon. Black and gold theme, face paint and body paint and hairspray. Mr Monahan, our music teacher, will be performing with his jazz band. Tickets go on sale soon, 40\$ per ticket. Buy two, get one free for a friend or give it to Amy to help out a family who can't afford tickets. Restaurants will be donating food but please feel free to bring food to share. Two professional bars. Silent auction will be a big part of the night. It will go live soon. We are still looking for donations if you have anything to add to the auction. Find Amy, Erica, Tiffaney, or myself with your donations. Teachers and staff at PS110 all get a free invite to thank them.
- CineSchool – Kinga: Next viewing Feb 9th at 2:30pm with seven Polish short animations. Our music teacher will be playing live music to one of the movies with some students. Musical instrument craft will be happening beforehand as of 2pm. In need of empty kleenex boxes, paper towel rolls. Please leave them by the front desk. Also, March screening will be our last.
- Wellness & Sustainability - Hannah: Next Monday will be school lunch day with the vegetarian chili the kids made with Chef Laurielle. Encourage your kids to have school lunch on that day. We will be having another soil collection campaign for lead testing soon. Information will go out soon. Chef Wally will be starting tastings in the pre-k classrooms. Chef Laurielle will be back after the break with another cooking lab.
- Green - Laurie: Next meeting will Wednesday the 13th. We are asking for suggestions and recommendations for our Green Library that we are building for

teachers, parents, and kids. Through the GCEF grant there are funds for building this library. In March, a small panel will go through the suggestions and do a buy for our new library. Email Laurie, Tiffany, or Erica with your suggestions.

- Advocacy - Yuli: Black Lives Matter parent-lead event. Inviting kids to wear black to school in support of the movement. This Thursday is at 80 Dupont there will be a meeting to find a site for the new Greenpoint school. The next CEC14 meeting on Valentine's Day at PS297. CEC elections are opening on February 15th, see details online. The advocacy committee will meet February 27th.
- Fundraising - CharityBuzz - Bronwyn: One auction is about to go live. Speak to me if you have any new ideas or if you want to brainstorm.
- Merchandise - Erica: We got lots of great new merch this year but we have sold out of a lot of items that people are asking for. We have spent all our purchasing budget. Are we open to increasing the budget so that we can sell more. We make about 30% of profit on items. Do we want to explore taking pre-orders? General consensus that we will pull some quotes and order more.
- Book Fair is creeping up on us. If anyone wants to help out with that, selling, setting up, breaking down.
- Audit – Annie: We will be starting the process in March and get the final documents after April 30th and then finalize everything in May. There are two of us and we need at least one more person to join the committee. It is a few evenings of work. Since it's the fourth year, the process is pretty streamlined.

January meeting minutes are approved.

Parent questions, is Schoola still up and running? No, the parent that was doing that left and also in the past Schoola stops taking clothes very early in the year. We will be exploring other options - selling for a small price to parents who need, finding another school in need, etc.

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