



Minutes of PA Meeting- February 27th 2018

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Opening: Stephanie Cooper started the meeting at 7:38 PM. The meeting was held in the lunch room.

Attendees:

PA Co- Presidents- Stephanie Cooper & Meredith Kaback

PA Vice Presidents- Shelly Shalom

PA Co- Secretaries- Dina Halili & Marcy Keltai

PA Treasurer- Yvonne Venezia

PS 196 Assistant Principle- Mrs. Catherine Koatz

PS 196 Parent Coordinator- Ellen Maurer

PS 196 After School- Maria Romero

President's Report:

- January minutes were approved by Sangita and Tracy

Principal's Report- Mrs. Koatz

- **Safety-** ID's are MANDATORY no exceptions
- All doors are locked and alarmed except for the front door
- Parents can only go to the place indicated on their pass- not roam the hallways
- Safety plans with evacuation routes etc are done every year- which are approved by DOE and NYPD. Response info is kept confidential. All safety regulations are per the chancellor's regulations which are available on the DOE website.
- Our school has 12 fire drills each school year- 8 evacuations and 4 lockdown
- Walkie talkies are used for communication and emergencies
- Our school cares for the welfare of each and every child, we follow up and support students who are in crisis.
- PS196 received monies from our council members to get cameras, we are still working on figuring out the process on how to get them. No official date yet.
- Parents should review the rules with their children to make sure they follow and are safe during the drills. Use main entrance only, no roaming halls, if a door is open let someone know
- Mr. Lewis is our Safety/BRT leader he speaks to all students about drills and safety
- Math a thon is going on!! We are about 25% there- goal is \$40,000 and the deadline is 3/29/18
- Cook For kids- think it is a great idea to bring to our school
- Parent teacher conference is 3/15/18- Noon dismissal. Appointments will be 1-3pm and 5-8pm Slips will be sent home next week
- Report cards will be sent home on 3/14/18- must be returned signed on 3/15/18
- Parent Surveys will be done during parent teacher conference very important to fill out. DOE looks at the response rate and school is rated based on what people say. Each class who receives 100% response will have a pizza party.
- Go math Academy is back! Parents wanted and subscription was renewed! Contact Ellen or Ms. Koatz if you need help with logging in

- Valentine's day Dance was a huge success
- Scholastic Book Fair will be 3/12-3/16- will be open during PTC. New E Wallet feature will be used very exciting!
- Little Mermaid is coming Theater Arts- June 8th and 9th
- Circus Arts Performances March 12th @ 9:00am – Classes- 201,204,231 &291 , Classes 202,203,205 and 291 will be on March 13th at 9:00am.
- 3rd grade dance on Broadway- March 28th at 9:00 AM
- Coming in the spring will be PK, K and 1st Grade
- Spring Break will be Friday March 30th- Sunday April 8th
- NYS ELA exams April 11th and April 12th
- NYS Math Exams May 1st and May 2nd.
- K Move up Ceremony- May 21st classes 015, 016, 017 & 031 / May 22nd Classes 011, 012, 013 and 014. Time TBD more information will be given later

After School Report- Maria Romero

- Spring semester started 2/1/2018 and will end 6/25/2018. Chess class is still available for this semester
- 450 students are currently enrolled in afterschool and 52 students are for the morning program.
- 250 students attended the February Holiday camp 2/16, 2/20-2/22
- On going after school programs are- single day options, classroom celebrations and morning program
- Half day of Fun program will be on 3/15 for parent teacher conferences- 12:00-7:00pm- flyers will be sent home

SLT Report: Alyssa, Young, Meredith

- Safety- parents should not be roaming around the school, must show ID
- Wellness in schools- Administration is for this
- Nurse and Custodian Clorox wiped the school down- columns, door knobs etc
- PS196 Met their goals mid-year (CEP) COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL PLAN

Treasure's Report- Yvonne

- Picture Day- made \$3600
- Smencils fundraiser still going on
- Groovy Lab fundraiser available on line
- International night- April 29th 2018- current budget is \$1000 asking to raise to \$2500- approved by majority vote.
- Wellness in the schools- we voted on \$6500 to have them come to our school for 5 days. Marketing the meals, working with kitchen staff / training and doing labs for 2 grades.
- Monies for the Wellness in the Schools activities are coming from Active Recess budget line, we are still doing Active Recess - we were able to get the Recess training for free, so have the \$ freed up to use for the Wellness in the Schools - Approved by majority vote.
- Received \$200 from our Buffalo Wild wings fundraiser

Miscellaneous:

- 3/19/2018- Shake Shack restaurant fundraiser
- Spotlight magazine- should be published before spring break
- International night 4/29/2018 Sunday 4:00-7:00pm we will start setting up in the morning. Last year 13 countries were represented if you are interested this year please contact Deepali
- Family Fitness 3/10 Karate

Meeting Adjourned: 8:48 pm