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Minutes of PA Meeting- October 17th 2017

Opening: Stephanie Cooper started the meeting at 7:34 PM. The meeting was held in the lunch room.

Attendees:

PA Co- Presidents- Stephanie Cooper & Meredith Kaback

PA Vice Presidents- Deepali Patel-Sagar, Shelly Shalom & Karen Solomon

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PS 196 Asst. Principal- Mrs. Blimie Berkowitz

PS 196 Parent Coordinator- Ellen Maurer

PS 196 After School- Maria Romero

Principal's Report- Ms. Berkowitz

- 10/18 @ 7:45 AM- Ms. Philips Data Tech Workshop
- Fun Friday was great 591 parents attended
- End Hunger Food Drive will be taking place 10/24-11-3. All donations will be going to City Harvest
- Check out our Lost Found- many items are not labeled.
- My Student account if you haven't signed up yet please contact Ellen or Ms. Koatz. You can see all your child's state test scores, report card grades, absences etc.
- Help our School through Stop & Shop, Amazon Smile and TD bank
- If you are still not receiving Ellen's weekly emails / Ms. Koatz's News Flash emails please let them know.
- Middle School Fair 10/19 at Thomas Edison H.S. 156-56 84th Ave 5:00pm-7:30pm. Middle School fair with Ellen 10/24 at 6:30pm
- Save the date for Parent teacher Conferences 11/16- 1:00-3:00/ 5:00-8:00- NOON Dismissal
- Halloween Party 10/29- 4:00pm -7:00pm- 3rd year! Can buy tickets on line.
- Special Ed Workshop on 10/30 at 8:00am Speech and Language any other topics please contact Ms. Berkowitz
- 11/7- no school Election Day
- Socks in a box- 11/1-11/8

SLT Report- Ariana

- School Security we currently have 997 students enrolled. When we have 1000 we will be eligible for 2 security guards. Will discuss at SLT during next meeting and follow up at next PA meeting
- Crossing guard - our old one became a safety officer and now the police are covering but hopefully we will get someone when the new class graduates
- Parents are encouraged to call Officer Thompson at 347-742-3992 to ask for a permanent crossing guard

2017 NYS testing results

- PS196 outperformed the NYS averages in both ELA and Math. We came out #2 in D28 behind 303. We had 425 students take the test (grades 3-5) while 303 had 36 in the 3rd grade take the test

ELA

- 418 students tested - 336 met or exceeded standards (score of 3 or 4) - slight drop of 2.3% compared to 2016 where 82.7% of students received 3 or 4
- Mrs. Migliano being always vigilant is already instituting strategies to strengthen the scores including guided reading, reading support and smaller reading groups. The specific item analysis and data breakdown of the results hadn't been distributed to the school by the time we had our meeting but they should be an update to share after the next SLT meeting with more strategies to improve the results this year.

Math

- 425 students tested - 86.6% or 368 met or exceeded standards - a 2.8% increase compared to 2016 where 83.8% of students received 3 or 4

Active recess

- We are negotiating costs with E3Sports for winter (indoor months) but also applying for a different program that will train aides instead of sending coaches.

After School Report- Maria Romero

- Fall Semester Ends 1/31/2018
- 452 Students are currently enrolled in afterschool, 63 students are enrolled in the morning program
- You can always email or call Maria on an as needed basis
- Half day of Fun program will be available on Thursday 11/16- 12:00-7:00pm
- Some classes are still available if you are interested

Treasure's Report- Yvonne

- BMX Expense
- Voted on Spotlight- Majority Vote
- Increased Sunshine Fund \$500 now \$1000- Majority Vote

Wellness

- Promoting healthier snacks in classroom parties and in school
- Outdoor recess- looking at a free program to train the aides- Asphalt Greens
- Garden is growing you can help- 10/29 and 11/4- all are welcome
- 11/4- Yoga and Book Swap- \$5 voluntary donation. Extra books going to be donated
- 11/9- Tools and Techniques how to speak with your children 6:30pm-9:00pm

- Thursday 10/19 @ 8:15AM Coffee & Conversation with Ms. Migliano
- 10/25 4:00pm-8:00pm Chipotle Fundraiser on Austin Street- 15% goes to PA
- Picture Day 10/26 & 10/27 went really well, retakes will be 11/14 Order forms will be sent out 10/20
- Class 201 classroom issue was brought up- SLT will mention at next meeting
- BMX assembly was great 10/3. Entertaining new ideas for next year's assembly
- PA Sponsors Project Arts-: Prek-K: Dancing around the world, 1st grade: Puppetry, 2nd grade: Circus Arts, 3rd grade: Broadway, 4th grade: Hip Hop, 5th grade: Dancing Classrooms

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34pm followed by a class parent meeting