

**Parents' Association
of PS196Q**



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PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING
Thursday, September 30, 2021 - 7:30 - 8:30PM via Zoom

Minutes of PA Meeting

Board members in Attendance: Elizabeth Fassler (Co-President), Dina Halili (Co-President). Ilana Haas (VP), Marcy Keltai (VP), Alyssa Pollack (VP), Anitha Iyer (Co- Treasurer), Rachel Bailik (Co- Treasurer) Cigall Goldman (Co-Secretary), Elaine Wong (Co-Secretary)

Maria Romero (ASP) and 35 parents/caregivers were in attendance.

Call to order @ 7:32pm:

Approve minutes: Anitha Iyer-Kothari & Gilberto Soriano

- **Welcome & Board Introduction**
 - Board introductions from Elizabeth Fassler, Dina Hallili, Alyssa Pollack, Marcy Keltai, Ilana Hass, Cigall Goldman, Elaine Wong, Rachel Bialik, Anitha Iyer-Kothari
- **Approval of June General Meeting Minutes**
 - Teresa Liu, Marcy Keltai
- **Principal's Report - Mrs. Migliano**
 - Ms. Migliano discussed safety protocol in the building. There is 3 feet distancing as per CDC guidelines. Children and teachers are fully masked throughout the day with mask breaks. There are 2 air purifiers in each classroom and windows are kept open. No one will be working in PS 196 that is not vaccinated by Monday October 4th. Random COVID testing will occur every week. Doorknobs and water fountains are being disinfected throughout the day. Classrooms are disinfected daily.
 - Extra help is available for everyone throughout the year on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The teachers are cycling through the children to give everyone the opportunity.
 - Teachers are encouraged to use the outdoor classroom and space. We received some funding from an outdoor learning initiative.
 - Any Operoo questions please contact Ms. Berkowitz.
 - Coffee and Conversation will begin on Tuesday October 12th at 11am.
 - The idea of a Virtual Building Tour was brought up and Ms. Migliano will look into it.
- **After School Program - Maria Romero**

- Maria shared that before school started, the After School Program ran an all-day program. The same DOE protocols are followed as the school day does. All staff and anyone that enters the building is vaccinated. The after school program started Sept 13 and is running very smoothly.
- **Treasurer's Report / Annual Appeal - Anitha & Rachel**
 - Went over the monthly report and shared information about the Annual Appeal.
- **SLT (School Leadership Team) Report - Alyssa**
 - Teachers will start using IXL and there will be a workshop for parents.
 - There is a new art teacher and we are hiring a new Parent Coordinator.
 - Construction on the new wing. Opening of the new site will be September 2022.
 - PA Afterschool was able to gift the school \$280K.
- **Update on committees & events in 2021 - 2022**
 - Spiritwear
 - Rachel went over Spiritwear and shared the link to place orders.
 - Restaurant Fundraiser - Marcy & Ashley Curran
 - Chipotle fundraiser raised \$143.98
 - Picture Day – Marcy
 - Picture Day will be October 4th and October 5th
 - A group photo composite will be created from all the individual photos.
 - 5th Grade Committee
 - Linda Chan spoke about the 5th Grade Committee and requested volunteers
 - Anti Racism Committee
 - Teresa Liu spoke about the Anti-Racism Committee
 - Wellness Council – Cigall
 - Cigall requested volunteers to be involved with Wellness
 - Social Media – Elaine
 - Elaine discussed the PA's social media efforts
 - Class Parents / Volunteers
 - Elizabeth Fassler discussed getting involved

Adjournment: Dina Halilli & Anitha Iyer-Kothari @ 8.46pm

