



Parents Association of P.S. 196Q
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Minutes of PA Meeting – May 16, 2017

Opening: Stephanie Cooper started the meeting at 7:35 PM. The meeting was held in the lunch room.

Board in Attendance: Meredith Kaback (Co-President), Stephanie Cooper (Co-President), Tasneem Malbari (Co-VP), Brenda Zuckerman (Co-VP), Yvonne Venezia (Treasurer), Karen Solomon (Co-Secretary), Heather Brown (Co-Secretary).

Ms. Berkowitz (Assistant Principal), Ellen Maurer (Parent Coordinator), Maria Romero (After School Director) were also in attendance. The April meeting minutes were accepted.

Principal's Report (Given by Ms. Berkowitz)

There are many upcoming events- stay tuned!

- Parent Engagement on May 17
- College and Career Day on May 18
- International Night on May 22
- Spring Concert
- Science Tests on May 24-26
- Kindergarten moving up Ceremony on June 2
- Workshop for Special Education on June 7
- No School on June 8
- Theater Arts production of Beauty & the Beast on June 16/17

Unfortunately, we will not be able to have a Mathathon assembly this year.

Thank you so much to the PA for the **Plant Sale** and **Teacher Appreciation Lunch**.

Parent Coordinator's Report

Ellen shared the happenings of the 5th grade trip to the World Trade Center.

Afterschool Program (ASP) Report – Maria Romero

Last Day of the ASP will be June 27. There will be a ½ day program on June 28th.

Flyers will go home about programs on June 8, 12, and 26- when there is no school and there will be full day programs offered.

June 23rd will be the Wacky Carnival with a DJ and fun games. Flyers will go home.

Treasurer's Report

Please see report generated by the treasurer.

Monthly Budget and the budget for next school year were presented and will be voted on at June meeting. In June, the PA Treasurer will submit final report to the district. Any deficit we have is covered by the After School Program.

SLT

The following items were discussed at the last SLT Meeting:

- **Building Space**— A survey was done by School Design and Construction to assess if an addition is possible to the school.
- **8 K Classes** next year. There are 32 kids still on the waitlist. An extra Phys Ed teacher will be hired.
- **Water quality** in the building is to be discussed at the next meeting.
- **E3 Sports**- survey of kids was done and results are being compiled.

Let Ariana Palacio know if there is anything you would like the SLT Parents to bring up at these meetings.

PA President's Report

Meredith and Stephanie mentioned the following items:

- Wellness- we have won a **DOE Excellence in School Wellness Platinum Award!**
- The **garden planting** is happening the weekend May 20/ 21.
- Please make sure to attend **International Night**- a great event on May 22.
- Special thank you to Deepali Patel for chairing the Teachers Appreciation Lunch. Special thank you to Dina Halili for chairing the Plant Sale.

Nominations for the PA Board 2017-18:

President:

- Stephanie Cooper/ Meredith Kaback

Vice President:

- Deepali Patel- Shagar
- Michelle Kiliski (may be ineligible since she has had the position for 2 years)
- Susan Feigenbaum
- Karen Solomon

Treasurer:

- Yvonne Venezia

Secretary:

- Marcy Keltai/ Dina Halili

SLT Committee:

- Alyssa Pollock
- Yung Louie
- Yvonne Venezia
- Lauren Timmons

Please note- additional nominees can be made prior to the election on June 20, 2017. You do not need to be present to be nominated. **You do need to be present to VOTE.**

Closing

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.