

Parents' Association of P.S. 889

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PA Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2018

- I. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 6:40 PM
- II. Venue: PS 889 Library at 4th Floor
- III. Meeting Minutes (Neelum Aftab)
Minutes from December 18, 2018 meeting posted and approved by PA members
- IV. Principal's Report (Ms. Anderson)
 - a) For Trips & Enrichments, \$5400 trips are booked
 - b) Read-a-Thon, a fund-raising community event, and Arts Connection Show is coming up
 - c) HIV/AIDS Curriculum for Grades K-12 is mandatory, K-1st graders will get age appropriate five lessons by Mr. Young and Ms. Vorelli
 - d) "Girl Scouts" approached our school for afterschool, NIA will confirm and information will be backpacked.
 - e) Vision Zero will visit in Mid March and present to parents for safety and street behavior and will do project with parents.
 - f) School-wide Town-Home meeting will be held at Mar 6. They will reach out to community, build a block.
- V. President's Report (Alix Boyle & Lauren Volkmer)
 - a) Picture Re-take Day – Feb 11, and then second round of ordering starts, it will end in March.
 - b) In need of a new survey response for Enrichments programs.
 - c) Second Movie Night – Feb 1, 2019
 - d) Read-a-Thon is coming up from Feb 4-15, reading minutes will be tracked in home and school and Celebrations will be at the end in class. Financial goals for next year Science programs, Last year Read-a-Thon supported this year's field trips.
 - e) Wellness Fair: Postpone to May (Date will be decided)
 - f) Nominating Committee will be formed next wee to run Elections.
 - g) Vote for Communication person in next meeting
- VI. SLT Report (Solana Pyne)
 - a) "Book Room" started for Reading Curriculum, kids can borrow books and comprehensive resource for teachers
 - b) Principal Anderson has facilitated the coding/robotics program with Ms. Noto and Ms. Ali.
 - c) Math Curriculum is enhanced towards Project based learning and for Professional Development i.e., Supplemental GoMath
 - d) On the website, "Curriculum" page is added by the teachers, so parents can get involved.

- VII. Treasure's Report (Chris Confessor)
Current cash is \$11,500, still includes \$4500 meant to spend on Field trips
Unity concert profit was \$450.
- VIII. Committee Reports
- a) Fund-Raising Committee (Ben Anderson)
 - i. Annual Giving Campaign was a big success, donations collected was \$5031 in total
 - ii. Next year, Budget committee will be formed to decide by using survey to where to spend this money, makes the Balance of what we have spent on Field trips.
 - b) Communication Committee (Emalia Dawson)
 - i. Google G-suit, as centralized email and documents storage system is started
 - ii. Next Newsletter will be sent in first week of February.
 - iii. Directory will be sent out in two days.
 - iv. Read-a-thon photos will be taken and shared on separate email.
 - Garden Committee (Jinky Nogales)
 - v. School construction authority has started landscaping inside the grounds within gates, In April, they will do outside
 - vi. Bulbs are sprouting; In April we will do planting.
 - c) Field Trip Committee (Yoko Anderson)
 - i. In Jan-Feb 2019, 1st graders field trips will go to Tiny Scientists.
 - d) Grants Committee (Meghan Finn)
 - i. Grant for Citizens Committee for New York City Neighborhood was applied and by the end of April, we will hopefully receive a positive response.
 - ii. The applied grant was for the Wellness Fair in the 2019-20 year and for funds for playground or athletic equipment.
- XI. New Business
- 1. Parents survey for next meeting
 - 2. Nominating committee
 - 3. Revise Bylaws
- XII. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM