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November PTA General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Location: Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 6:00 p.m., Auditorium

Board members present: Kevin Ryan-Young (President), Julie Couser (Treasurer), Aisha Johnson (Recording Secretary), Eileen Gunn (Co VP of Community Involvement), Kathryn Mora (VP of Development), Stacey Blissett-Saavedra, (Co-VP Extended Day), Kate Rubin (Co Secretary of Communications).

(At least 8 association members, including a minimum of 2 board members and 6 parent members present; a quorum was reached.)

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the President.

Presentation by Mr. Foley regarding **Christmas Tree Fundraiser**; tree stand at 8th Street and 8th Avenue; \$10 of every sale identified by purchaser as supporting 133 will go to the PTA.

SLT Report: Presented by Dalila Rabsatt; SLT (School Leadership Team) consists of 5 teachers, 5 parents; main purpose is the development of the CEP (Comprehensive Education Plan); impact on children; minutes to SLT meeting will e posted on PTA bulletin board outside of the PTA office

Q: What are some of the highlights from the CEP?

A: CEP available online; contains goals/deadlines - goal for this year is to increase number of teachers facilitating a professional development; academic goal - writing - increasing stamina in second grade and 5th grade - Chancellor initiative;

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Presented by Principal Foster-Mann

Ms. Santiago is now teaching Spanish full time; Ms. Quintero now providing Academic Intervention full time for children not performing at proficient level. Administration focus for the school year is increasing student achievement specifically increasing literacy and math skills. To achieve the goal, early bird (7:30-8:15) grade 1; girls group for 4th and 5th grade girls by invitation; coding with Mr. Ratner starts after BOKS; Parent Engagement Tuesdays getting ready to begin next week - send your concerns to your child's teachers to schedule; food and toy drive in December - service focus - donations of new, unwrapped toys and canned goods are being accepted (NYC Harvest donation); Parent/Staff Mixer, Thursday, 12/17 6:30-8pm in the gym

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Julie Couser

Provided copies of October report - 18K came in as Annual Appeal (AA) donation - \$34,296 as of today cumulative; AA classroom competition announced - first class per grade to reach 100% participation wins a class party and one homework pass per student; \$827 raised at October movie night; Mulee school supplies fundraiser brought in \$1379; Amazon brought in \$681.33; announced new partnership with Shutterfly. *See October report attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Fundraising</u> - presented by Kathryn Mora and Esra Dayani- Shop and Bop is scheduled for 12/13 and includes performances by Suzi Shelton, kid DJs that attend 133 and School of Rock kid band.

<u>Lunch</u> - presented by Kate Rubin, Carol Getaz, and Ingrid Dudek - aware of parent lunch concerns particularly with K students as there are 150 students during the K lunch period; conducted a combined meeting to look holistically at flow with lunch staff, admin, PlayWorks, Kids Orbit; goal is to formulate and coordinate on a plan and provide clear guidelines for volunteers: HFM hired two new Kids Orbit folks to staff the cafeteria to assist existing 133 staff

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<u>CEC</u> - presented by Renee Burke; shared info about current middle school projects; next CEC meeting 11/23; DOE is opening a new DLP department to help support schools with DLPs - the department is not currently up and running but is in the works. *See attached summary for additional details

Guest speaker: Tish Doggett of the PS 146 Parent Action Coalition; Presentation on Standardized Testing *See handouts attached

NEXT MEETING: December 15, 2015 at 6pm in the auditorium

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm by President.

Minutes compiled by Aisha Johnson, Recording Secretary

