



October 26, 2016

### Executive PTA Meeting

Open Meeting; quorum present.

Approval of minutes

#### **President's Report**

- The new parent handbook is almost complete, it will be a very useful tool to the PTA as well. It provides guidance on how and when to communicate related to the PTA. It was also recommended to do an internal audit. At Friday's meeting I'll ask for volunteers to join an internal audit committee.
- Discussion regarding the issues and concerns with the current audit process – including the transition of the executive staff.

#### **Principal's Report**

- The band audition happened, and has decided to collapse because there were not enough 5<sup>th</sup> graders, meeting on Monday and Thursdays. We did have a few 4<sup>th</sup> grade children who did not get in. There is a group called the Young Composers (free, sound before theory – composers program) – it's an online method of learning music. We will get additional information.

#### **Afterschool Committee**

- We do have a nurse now on staff at After School.
- We have a total of 5 candidates to interview for the Director of the musical.
- At this current time, registrations are just below the budget, so we will make adjustments to our expenses.
- We will send an invoice to the PTA for lunch recess counselors – they should come this week.
- We are looking for someone to help us write grants; and we've focused on sustainability going forward.

#### **Volunteer Committee**

- We are still focusing on getting parents signed up for events. We will resend our database of parent's skills.

#### **Fundraising Committee**

- As of last night we've raised approximately \$47,000 from the direct appeal (and believe we'll move close to \$50,000 after a few corporate matching comes in). We have some target items to fund, including a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade residency and another residency called "A Timeline of New York City", and the recess program (Kids Orbit and Deer Mountain).
- We are working on asking for capital funding from the Brooklyn borough president office to fund a stem lab within the school. This will go in, in December.



- Discussion regarding how are the residencies being identified – there is a focus on STEM residencies this year (want to ensure there's no overlap with the Art Committee).

Meeting adjourned.