



PS 130 PTA Meeting Minutes - Thursday November 9, 2017

Call to order by Lisa 6:14pm

Reading of minutes - Waived

Kids in the Game Update

- Mr. Chondite Faison and Mr. Michael Murphy
- Mr. Murphy is founder of KITG
- School based recess programs for schools
- 4-5 coaches each day at upper and lower school
- Zones (sections) for organized strategic games and a zone for free play
- Objective is safe play
- Games are fun and competitive. They do tournaments.
- Mr. Faison - kids are great, energetic. They provide option for all the kids
- They have monthly themes and a monthly calendar with a game schedule.
- They do healthy "outs" - you don't get kicked out of a game, you do an exercise instead.
- They offer a summer camp in Park Slope
- Any questions you can email - michael@kidsinthegame.com
- Lisa - Thank you to KITG, we appreciate you because you are supportive and we have a better recess time comparing it to last year.
- Q&A
 - A child told his mom that kids get yelled at for running in the free play area?
 - Ms. Nunziata - Kids are not allowed to run. Yard is small and free play area is close to the benches and we don't want accidents or kids to get hurt. The center space is better used for the organized games
 - Mr. Faison - They will look into that concern. See that all areas have a safe space to run. They will look into rotating the areas so all zones have time in the center.
 - Alternate recess time?
 - Grades 3 and 4 alternate yes.
 - Can recess be at other times (periods)?
 - No. Yard is being used all day by the other 2 schools. It would not work.

Treasurer's Report - By Lisa (owen could not make it)

- Current Cash Balance: \$100,992 - (\$38,109 is restricted grant funding)
 - Income to Date
 - Annual Appeal: \$21K
 - Other Contributions/Grants: \$23K
 - Fundraising Events: \$18K
 - Expenses to Date
 - School Support/Enrichment: \$20K
 - Fundraising/Community Events: \$6K
 - Operating Costs: \$1K

Principal's Report

- Thank you to the PTA for all the wonderful events. Fall fest was amazing.
- There is a long list of activities. Many opportunities to volunteer
- Next week is open school week. Please return the form, so we know the approximate amount of parents that are attending.
- Gifted & Talented test - deadline is Nov. 13th
- Nov. 16th Parent teacher conferences - Half day for the kids

- Dismissal: Pre-K & K 11:30am, 1st & 2nd 11:35am, 3rd & 4th 11:40am
- Please speak to the after school to find out if they offering the program that day
- University Settlement not in session and Wingspan IS in session
- Dec 1st is family Friday
- Scholastic Book fair - Lower school Dec. 5 & 6 and upper school is Dec. 7 & 8
 - A letter will be going home with class schedule.
 - Teacher will bring the children downstairs
 - Book fair will be at the winter Bazaar too.

Expenditure Approval - Lice Prevention: \$500 - Approved

- Expenditure portion for this was missed during the final budget meeting.
- \$300 was approved by the board on Oct. 20th
- Money is used for the Lice Noggin guest speaker and for combs

Old Business

- **Annual Appeal**
 - Up to date \$21K
 - We will be asking 130 families to donate
- **Website - call for help**
 - We are in need of someone to help with the website. Should have some experience with graphic design and or website skills
- **Box Tops (\$153.60)**
 - Thank you for your help!
 - Keep clipping,collecting and sending in the boxtops
- **Movie Night 11/3**
 - Raised \$777
 - Gym was left clean - Thank you.
- **Election Day Bake Sale (5th grade Committee)**
 - Raised \$632 in bad weather! Thank you to the 5th grade committee, to everyone that donated and volunteered.

New business/discussion

- **Holiday Gift Drive - Eleanor**
 - Families register, fill out a form with wants and needs. Committee makes a wish list on Amazon.
 - We had 70 children who registered last year. This year we estimate 90 families (children)
 - How to donate/help
 - Purchase an item from the amazon wish list - (thank you in advance because we don't know who purchases items)
 - You can buy items yourself. Think about what your own kids want, that is what these families/kids want too. There is no need to wrap.
 - Ages are 7 and up
 - Make a donation on the PTA website, or send money to PTA
 - Volunteer on Dec. 16 10am-4pm items are sorted and put in a basket to give to the children
- **Grant Award from NY Community Trust/Heisman Trophy Trust (\$7,000)**
 - Thank you to Kate for writing and entering this grant.
 - Money will help pay KITG

Upcoming Events

- **11/11 - Fall Spruce Up (Upper School)**
 - This Saturday, they need volunteers
 - There are a few indoor projects
- **11/11 - Karaoke @ Shenanigan's (9:45pm) - Debbie D.**
 - Come out and have fun, sing or just watch.
 - They pass the bucket for a suggested donation of \$10
- **11/18 - Art Auction Kate & Kate**

- Many donations. Had to stop accepting.
- Bidding online starts 11/11
- Funds raised help all art projects, like the art box.
- Alden moves giving a discount until Nov. 14th
 - PJ party, Pizza, Popcorn and a movie. Kids do have fun.
- **12/9 - Winter Bazaar** - Tonya Muro
 - Come and support. There will be a chili cook off and the book fair.
 - Location is the upper school gym
 - Vendors are still welcome.
- **12/1 - Movie Night (Captain Underpants)**
 - It's a good movie

Presentation: Arts Connection - Ms. Erin and Ms. Kelly Donovan

- PS 130 is the first school to start puppetry with ArtsConnection
- Our puppetry program has become the model puppetry program. ArtsConnection was awarded a 4 year grant to teach our puppetry program at 5 schools city wide.
- Ms. Erin is the artist resident for pre-k to 3rd grade. Ms. Rima Fand works with Erin with the third grade residency, Ms. Rima is a musician.
- Ms. Kelly is the Program Director from Arts Connection for grades pre-k to 3rd.
- Sara Provost is the artist resident for 4 and 5th grades

PTA COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Art Committee

- The Art Committee has purchased and distributed art supplies for all grades from pre-k to grade 5 and will be helping with art projects linked to our units of study over the next couple months.
- The Art Box program is in full swing thanks to our many volunteers, and children in grades K-2 have been making some wonderful creations. If you're interested in donating materials, contact ps130artboxprogram@gmail.com for guidelines.
- General questions: ps130art@gmail.com

Grants Committee

- First meeting on October 24th and next meeting on December 5th
- Committee is researching grant opportunities in a number of areas, including arts, the library, and the new school yard.
- We would love your help. If you are interested in joining, please email ps130grants@gmail.com

Music Committee

- The Music Committee is busy bringing in visiting artists, and providing parent musician accompaniment to PS 130 events, including the upcoming Winter Bazaar.
- On Dec 6th, Native American roots singer-songwriter Martha Redbone will visit the 4th grade in partnership with the 4th grade Eastern Woodlands Unit.
- Saxophonist JD Allen visited Pre-K, K and did a rousing workshop with the PS 130 5th grade band.
- Stay tuned for many more events in the works!

Yearbook Committee

- The YB Committee has been busy with our first meeting, designing pages from Fall Fest, and setting our schedule for the entire year. And we just received an honorable mention for page design and cover design for last year's yearbook! (Hooray for PS130!).
- If interested in being part of this committee please contact Thomas at yearbookps130@gmail.com