

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION OF P.S. 145

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General PTA Meeting Minutes: February 29th, 6:15 PM

Facilitated by Co-Presidents // Minutes taken by Co-Secretaries ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN ENGLISH WITH LIVE SPANISH TRANSLATION

Zoom info: https://nycdoe.zoom.us/i/92062358492?pwd=TVJJRkpUNk9wcWZMRCt0MENiL1U1UT09

Meeting ID: 920 6235 8492 Passcode: 213167

Attendance: 25 members

1. 6:15 pm Call to Order - Co-President (5 min)

- a. Welcome
- b. Attendance in chat: Name, Child's grade
- c. Social Chat Question: What is your favorite children's book?
- d. Approve meeting minutes from January 18 Meeting (bottom of document). Motion to approve: Natalya Tkachenko, seconded: Susan Fulwiler

2. Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities, Co-Presidents (10 min)

- a. 3/7 Early Dismissal 11:30am for parent/teacher conferences
- b. 3/11,12,13 & 16 Scholastic Book Fair: The event is broken up to include a weekend day in order to accommodate mock testing in the school and also to allow families to shop on the weekends.
 - i. Set up your eWallet HERE
 - ii. Donate to our school eWallet so all kids can buy books HERE
 - iii. Volunteer for a shift HERE
- c. Online Auction 4/8-17: Richard Copin is leading the effort on this!
 - Preview our Auction Site and see what we've secured <u>HERE</u>
 - ii. Do you have an item to auction? Contact pta.vp.fundraising@ps145m.org.

 Parents are encouraged to share their skills or to ask for donations at places they visit frequently. Parent participation makes the auction personalized and appealing to our community!
- d. 3/22 Spirit Day: Crazy Hats
 - i. After school hat craft on 3/19

3. Events on the horizon

- a. Mom's Day 5/15
 - i. Looking for Dad's and other family members to volunteer
- b. International Food Festival
 - i. **Aiming for May:** this will now be outdoors and we are aiming for it to be a great community event!
 - ii. Sign up to volunteer for the event or bring a dish
 - iii. Idea for food trucks, live music, possible kid dance performing
- c. Ps145 Family Movie Night Under the Stars, date TBD: With our PTA Scholastic Funds we are able to buy a large inflatable movie screen to have a movie night outdoors in the yard.
 - i. Will be looking for ice cream donation



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- d. Final Graduation & Pictures Retakes, date TBD
- 4. Treasurer Report & Fundraising Co-Treasurers (5 min)
 - a. No treasurer's report at this meeting
 - b. March in person PTA meeting we will be asking parents to weigh in on budget for 2024/25 school year
- 5. State of the School, School Leadership Team, Ms. Wilder (30 min)

6. Dr. Garcia Question/Answer on the Joint Public Hearing

- a. Why was the PEP vote delayed? Our understanding is that when an issue is contentious, the DOE likes to illustrate that they gave as much possible time for community engagement.
- b. What to do if we did not have enough time or the opportunity to express our concerns during the hearing? It seems that if the district receives letters that have similar concerns a summary is produced by District Planning including that point that goes to the PEP. Dr. Garcia is already planning to submit statements from the staff and a list of the incidents between the two schools.
- c. Can we submit videos of certain occurrences? Yes. Send any videos to Dr. Garcia. She is submitting all evidence to the district.
- d. The Community Board 7 meeting is next week. We will start putting together lists of relevant community meetings for the Class Parents chat so community members can go and express their perspectives.

7. Adjournment

- a. Next steps: meeting minutes circulated
- b. How to contact us: pta.president@ps145m.org