

## General PTA Meeting Minutes June 12, 2018

### CO-PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Approved May minutes
- Middle School admissions update
  - No clear answer yet on what will happen
  - Likely will have 25% carve-out for lower performing students
  - DOE deciding between looking at disadvantaged schools or specific students, combined with grades and test scores
- High School admissions update
  - 20% of SHS seats will be set aside for students in Discovery Program, which is determined by school, not by individual students
  - SHSAT will still be sole determinant for SHS admission for next year's 8<sup>th</sup> graders
  - Parents need to speak up, email, attend rallies to voice their opinions
  - Need to target state senators
- 108 construction update
  - Starting this summer
  - Meeting with Paul Freitag, Developer for WSSFSH later this month to ensure safety precautions are in place starting in the fall
- Wellness update
  - Received grant from Target to buy yoga mats, water bottles and squishies to give in lieu of candy to students
  - Wellness day had ~30 speakers, positive feedback from students
  - Expand after school program next year
  - Now have after school rowing thanks to a parent
  - Early morning yoga for teachers
  - Jujitsu therapy workshop
  - Looking for new Wellness Council Chair

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Examined school survey
  - Strong academics
  - Good connections among parents/teachers/students
  - Integrated classes in Humanities worked well
  - Looking for ways to support students even more with homework, study skills, writing, getting and processing feedback
  - Revised curriculum in Humanities to ensure reading lists and books reflect wide range of backgrounds and perspectives
- Thanked 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents for participating in PTA
- Keep checking email and website over the next 2 weeks
- SLT
  - School survey results will be released in July after trends examined
  - Wellness day received positive feedback

### TREASURY

- Current Year Budget (2017 – 2018 Budget)
  - Checking Account Balance: \$575,785.59
  - Money Market Balance: \$251,533.11
  - Net Income: \$109,830.08
  - Voted in favor of shifting \$100K from budget to reserve
- 2018-2019 Budget
  - Increased after school income to \$150K

- Total income will be \$535K
- Increased education consultant to \$225K due to increased cost
- Decreased PTA expenses to \$4.2K
- Total school supplies reduced to \$163,500
- Total net income: \$137,950 deficit
- Voted to approve 2018-2019 budget

**FUNDRAISING**

- Annual Fund update
- General fundraising update
- Fairway – please remember to use your card when you shop
- Amazon – please remember to click on the Amazon link on our website prior to shopping

**ELECTIONS**

- PTA election – Slate voted in

| <b><u>PTA position</u></b>           | <b><u>Nominated candidate</u></b> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Co-President                         | Jerome Kramer                     |
| Co-President                         |                                   |
| Corresponding Secretary              | Joanne Giordano                   |
| Co-Recording Secretary               | Trista Soh                        |
| Co-Recording Secretary               | Elizabeth Cohen                   |
| Co-Treasurer                         | Juhi Chawla                       |
| Co-Treasurer                         | Adrienne Zicklin Kanter           |
| Co-Assistant Treasurer               | Michele Samarel                   |
| Co-Assistant Treasurer               | Jennifer Morrissey                |
| Co-VP of Fundraising                 | Colleen Welker                    |
| Co-VP of fundraising                 |                                   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> grade representative | John Mooney                       |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> grade representative | Vijay Sinh                        |

- SLT election –
  - Stefanie Goldblatt and Jeanne Goffi-Fynn voted in.