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MS54 PTA General Meeting

February 8, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m., Zoom Mtg

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- **Welcome, Introduction**

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- Approval of January PTA minutes - Approved

- **Principal's Report**

- Covid infections are decreasing at school; students will be provided with a covid test to be taken prior to returning to school following the mid-winter break; students who have tested positive within 90 days will not be provided a covid test
- Report cards will be released week of February for second marking term
- Jupiter will be closed temporarily for two weeks in February to abate student stress about grades; parents were encouraged to wait a week before providing feedback to school; early parent feedback mostly related to parents managing student work load

- **Presidents' Report**

- Successful Dumpling Drive
- Several events planned for this month, see below.
- Bylaws revision coming up - need volunteers
- Nominating committee needed

- **Safety Update**

- Student disruptions have decreased overall; majority of incidents are due to a small number of students; some face suspensions
- Two aides will be added whose primary function will be to monitor hallways during class transitions
- Additional safety agents will be added
- Drills: one lockdown drill by March 14th; eight drills of twelve have been completed
- PARENTS:
 - Continue to tell your child to wear their masks properly
 - Please tell your child to clean up after themselves and to throw away litter

- **SLT Update - Andy Weinstein**

- Next meeting will be held February 11, 7:20am, in-person and via zoom. Any member of the MS54 community who wishes to observe the meeting may email slt-cochairs@ms54pta.org in advance.

- **CEC/PC Update - Lucas Liu**

- CEC3 Business & Calendar Meeting, Feb 9, 2022 6:30 PM
[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlSfumorDooHNZlibLrJDFs_Dx83OMQCNGa](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZlSfumorDooHNZlibLrJDFs_Dx83OMQCNGa)
- H.S. Report, Deborah Kross, Citywide Council on High Schools (CCHS) - discussed recent changes to high school admissions policy

- **Grants**

- Meeting with MBPO Feb 8th at 11am online; will submit grant app for sound treatment of chorus room
- Meeting w/ Council Member Abreu is Feb 10th at 9 AM at the school



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- *Sunday Morning Coffee Seven Days a Week*, March 2, 7pm, Let's talk about how to savor life moments and slow down time even as we are racing. Bring a favorite memory or two and let's refine together the Art of Savoring.
- <https://www.ms54.org/wellness-committee.html>
- Other
- **Unfinished Business**
 - SMS App - search for SMS app continues
 - Call for Volunteers
 - School Store
 - Lighthouse Ride

Remaining General PTA Meetings

March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
April 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
May 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
June 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.