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Meeting Minutes for PTA General Meeting

Wednesday, January 31 6:30p Zoom

Jimmy Schementi, PTA President

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 8:30A PS 154 MMR

Meeting Slides: □ PTA General Meeting 2024-01-31

Upcoming Events:

Black History Month Family Mornings

February 5-12

Parents Trivia Night Out

Thursday, February 8 @ 7p, Greenwood Park

School Spirit: 100th Day of School

Friday, February 9

SLT Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 15 @ 3:30pm, PS 154

School Spirit: Pajama Day

Friday, February 16

Midwinter Recess

School Closed: February 19-23

Equity Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 29 @ 9am, Zoom

Next PTA General Meeting

Friday, March 1 @ 8:30a, PS 154

Readathon:

Goal was \$25K, we raised \$37K - every family participated - thank you!

Parents Trivia Night:

Thursday, Feb. 8 7pm at Greenwood Park Please buy tickets ahead if you know you'll be coming

Spring Gala & Auction:

Donations and Volunteers Needed

Principal Rached's update:

Leila could not attend - Tanica Gordon gave updates

Thank you to the PTA - readathon was a huge success!

Black History Month: thanks to the team who made bulletin boards at school they're beautiful and educational!

Okechi gave an update on working with the school closely this year to really encourage engagement for Black History Month

Bulletin boards on every floor, take a look when you're at school

Dance performer coming to do a lesson at end of the month

Activities during Family Mornings - update from Stacy on those highlighted:

Kindergarten & 1st: Garrett Morgan, invented traffic lights among other things

2nd & 3rd: Rosetta Tharpe, just inducted to Rock and Roll hall of fame

4th & 5th: Jean-Michel Basquiat

Lunar New Year, students will make red envelopes in class, animal of their birth year stickers If anyone can help with Women's History month projects please reach out!

Fundraising update:

(Renanit) thank you for donating!

We will have a generations campaign this spring after the auction to get extended families involved

Please help out with the auction - donate items!

5th Grade update:

(Chino) 2024 Class Shirts, order now at discounted price \$20 - sales will close in a few weeks Aquarium Overnight Trip

Registration for 5th Grade: Monday, Feb. 5 @ 10a Registration for K-5th: Monday, Feb. 12 @ 10a

Volunteers for Graduation Set Up on Monday, June 24th

Please sign up for the newsletter if you're not already!

Two workshops for parents coming soon, we're open to ideas for more!

February 12-16 is respect for all week with DOE - we will have NYPD come in to do a bullying workshop with the students

Community Fridges to help asylum seekers, we are looking to bring one into the community - youth equity team is helping out with this

How do kids join the Youth Equity Team? They meet weekly with Mr. Buckley - we look for kids who are really passionate about joining. They give up recess and have lunch with the group during meetings.

Maybe a flier sent home would help to aid discussion about it

Let's get a printed newsletter in backpacks!

Lip Sync Battle is coming this spring! Let's pick a date :)

If you're interested in getting more involved in district 15 and CEC please attend a meeting - let Jimmy know!

There's a trip being organized to Albany in February to advocate for money for schools Went over budgeting - which is available on the website:

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/579a34e71b631b6b9fc2c9f1/t/653688c2e42c1853834cf0dd/1698072770087/PTA+Approved+Budget+2023-2024.pdf

Can we get music funded for the full year? Currently it's K-4 gets $\frac{2}{3}$ of the year of music, $\frac{1}{3}$ media arts. 5th grade gets $\frac{1}{3}$ music $\frac{1}{3}$ other programming

We can have the music teachers come to the PTA meeting to discuss programming in more detail