



PS 174 PA General Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2023, 6 p.m., via Zoom

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Please remember to sign in. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the official business of the PS 174 PA.

Board attendees: Max Dickstein, Marc Lee, Judy Wong, Anna Myers Sabatini

ATTENDEES (total attendees 19): Vanessa Bryant C, Daleln Wyszinski, Elizabeth, Gregory Arnold, Hannah Trager, Jen T., Julius Lee, Kat Zuniga, Kayla Dominguez, Renee Frisch, Silvia Germosen, Sharon L, Sonya Sakhrani, Vivian Leung-Herel, Yung Chen Chiu

I. Call to Order 6:02pm

- A. Begin recording, read previous minutes

II. Guest Speaker: PS 174 Social Worker Vanessa Bryant

- Recap of the PS 174 town hall with District 28 Superintendent Dr. Tammy Pate and next steps
- Summary: Town hall was conducted in respect to concerns with Respect for All - has the support of the superintendent's office - discussed some of the schools current initiatives - clubs such as sewing knitting, chess, cheer club, basketball team. Allow students to have some camaraderie and feeling of connectivity with the school. Then during recess times eliminate having a large number of kids outside with limited adults. Have more structured free time. With Kindergarten - on specific days each K class has a chance to go outside, or go outside, or have dance time. Has a staff member assigned to that class for that time period. How students can speak to each other using kind words. A lot of displays and contests focused on how they interact with each other. Sending out more social work type emails - how to talk with your children, other mindful practices at home how they can be respectful to themselves and others. All the ways we can help kids connect with each other in a more cohesive way - do it in a way that's not using bad language, not hitting each other when they disagree. Cheer club had a chance to show some school spirit. Cheering on the basketball team as they went through the Halls. Cheering on the parents as they were walking down the hallway. Utilize the spirit club to work. Bad language - speaking about individuals race or other personal information - some physical incidents.
- Dr. Pate - Some of the stuff we already had in place, chess, crochet - come up with more ideas on how to support students in the school. Using situations as learning opportunities. What role do we need from the parents - how does the school support the parents. Allowing the parents to feel that they're being heard. Checking in with children daily, helping them know how to navigate through conflicts.
- If anyone has any questions, they can reach out to Ms. Bryant, and the administration - and have those conversations with their children.

III. President's Report

- A. School Leadership Team (SLT) report (last meeting was 3/31/23) from Judy - computers funding provided - Discretionary budgeting new bathrooms. Because of construction - trying to limit the number of kids going outside - kids are able to choose to do some indoor programming at the school instead of going outside. Spring concerts are happening this week. 5th Grade - Mandarin, stock market game, chess - Respect For All.
- B. Safety Committee report from Max (last meeting was 3/10/23) Safety meeting March 10 - a lot discussing the town hall with Dr. Pate
- C. Next meeting - meeting in-person for the Election May 1st - Ms. Cooper is doing art with the kids, will need parent volunteers to help monitor the Halls.

		Fundraiser Expenses		
	3/20	Reimbursement for book lights for read-a-thon prizes	\$54.95	
		PA Expenses		
		Class of 2023 Expenses		\$4,641.21
	3/21	Aerospace Museum Trip	\$300.00	
	3/15	Zephyr Circus - New Victory Theatre Trip	\$210.00	
	3/6	Yearbook - Lifetouch Shutterfly	\$2,298.24	
	3/27	Fifth Grade Ballroom Dance Director & Teachers B	\$88.61	
	3/20	Reimbursement for pom poms	\$25.99	
	3/13	Reimbursement for Smooth autograph book	\$889.22	
	3/13	Reimbursement for smooth senior tees	\$829.15	
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,598.68	(of which \$4,641 was for Class of 2023 expenses)

Can go into the Summer with \$4,000 so we can spend down some of that - in

V. Business

- A. Recent Fundraising
 - a. PS 174 PA Spirit Days Presents: Sports Day 3/31/23
- B. Upcoming fundraising
 - a. See's Candy sale Spring 2023 - 4/15/23 – 4/30/23 (Anna)
 - b. Mother's Day plant sale Tuesday May 9, 2023 (progress report to come)
- C. Steinway Piano Tuning: \$330 + tax – to be scheduled
- D. [Cool for School Photo](#) contract signed (10/23 & 10/24, Dec. 1 makeup)
- E. Read-a-thon prizes - Done - Lego building session, Booklights for the top readers.
- F. 2023–24 Executive Board Elections Monday May 1st (in person)
- G. Teacher Appreciation Week, May 8-12, 2023 - May 10th Luncheon - ordering from Stacked, same items as last year. Write Stuff on the sidewalk with chalk for Teachers for Teacher appreciation week. On Sunday May 7th. - Gregory Arnold - as a teacher “we want coffee and food” (instead of a masseuse).
- H. Mets tickets fundraiser —4/29, 4/30, 5/5, 5/20 (Max)
- I. Field Days 2023: 6/2, 6/7 at FHYAA — \$350 or so to insure the event - letting us use the fields for the cost of insurance and to pay someone to be there - VOLUNTEER here: <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/404733760969420089/false#/invitation>
- J. Manor Oktoberfest - Wednesday at the end of May - Fundraiser - Dalelyn W. spoke with them.
- K. 5th Grade Committee: nothing new to report.
- L. Summer Rising - DOE one page up with info April 17th - Monday after Spring Break. <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/enrollment/summer/grades-k-8>
- M. 600 Chrome Books were delivered to the school - eventually iPads can be kept at home so they don't have to be brought back and forth to the school.

VI. Discussion

VII. Adjournment 7:05pm

- A. End recording