



PS 174 PA General Meeting Minutes January 5, 2026, 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.

Attendees: #

PA Board: Ying, Natalie, Dalelyn, Greg, Jason Wand, Michele Rachel Caracci PC,
Maria Ramirez, Karla Fuentes, Stephanie Wand, Dana Linton, Zompa, Mary Beth Whitelaw, Yee Leung, Solmaz Sharif, Julius Lee, Rubiya Seidu, Steve Wyszinski, Nelly Ng Tam, Silvia Germosen, Rebecca Ramadhin, Meriem Alahiane, Winnie Chang, Katerina Zuniga, Katie Gambill

I. Call to Order 6:03pm

- A. Start recording
- B. Read previous minutes

II. President's Report

- A. School Leadership Team (SLT) report from Natalie Ng:
 - a. IXL is up and running - kids can log in and use it now.
 - b. Discussion of the State Data - has increased the last 2 years - ELA 82 Math 83%. Hope is that the school reaches the 90% mark.
 - c. Traffic situation. Ask parents to start reaching out to the 112 precinct to request police presence during drop off pickup, people still ignore the barriers and drive through.
 - d. Chess is halfway through the program, if your child participated in the first half that's completed, now they've started the second group.
 - e. Building more school community - feedback from different perspectives - working parents don't always have the opportunity to come to the school during the work day - opportunities for more engagement with parents and the school administration.
 - f. Another round of applications submitted for the class size reduction - Dr. Lewis submitted application - but due to school construction we weren't able to meet compliance with the class sizes - made some changes to the application including more cluster teachers including a stem teacher - went to central office won't hear back until March when budgets are released for the new year.
- A. Safety Committee - from Greg Arnold:
 - a. Conducted in a town hall fashion. Any parent is allowed to join.
 - b. Drills - finished all the drills - all up to date for the year, ran perfectly - creating new calendar for drills for upcoming year
 - c. safety plan approved
 - d. construction update - meeting in December figuring out when they are going to start construction on the building again
 - e. safety update - want people stationed out there during the duration of closed streets
 - f. KEYS: has to be a system where keys are kept in each room for safety reasons if teachers are out sick.

III. Treasurer's Report

- A. Monthly report: Balance, upcoming bills, residencies:

Treasurer's Report January 2026

Total Available Balance in Chase	\$46,228.40
Total Available Balance in Paypal	\$
Income	
Vision Taekwondo	\$420
Scholastic Winter Book Fair (5th) Day1& 2	Cash \$5,115.77 (5,116 deposited into bank 12/18) Credit \$559.29 Ewallet \$1,899.07 Total: \$ 7,574.13
Winter Market (5th)	undetermined
Holiday Candygrams	\$1,376
Snack Train	\$1,112
Annual dues (one from 11/26, 11/30 and 12/18)	\$724
M&S donation 12/1 and 1/2)	\$1,000 \$1,000
5th Grade Dues 1 new partial payment	\$80
5th Grade donation	\$800
Broadway Magic Hour Show (as of 1/3/26)	\$500
Scholastic Bookfair Cash register money put back into the bank 12/18	\$857
TOTAL	15,443.13
Expenses	
Tax Filing	\$79.99

Scholastic Book Fair withdrawal	\$990
Change withdrawal	\$49
Candygram items (awaiting all receipts for payment)	undetermined
Wintermarket goodies (awaiting all receipts for payment)	undetermined
TOTAL	1,118.99
TOTAL	\$14,324.14

5th Grade Committee (as of 1/3/26)

Income	
Dues Raised Cash. checks, zelle, zeffy- Zeffy as of 1/3/25 (23 donations, 1 double payment reimbursed 160) -	11,334
Chip City Fundraiser	
Movie Ticket Sales	
Winter Market	Not finalized
Candygram	Not finalized
Scholastic Book Sale	Not finalized
Total Income	\$
Expenses	

IV. Business

- A. School Apparel Online Store Launch
 - a. Local vendor - little difficult to manage the inventory and profitability - so did research and choose a vendor, online store hopefully launch by the end of the month, delivered to homes. Two new designs approved by Dr. Lewis. Versions for adults and kids.
- B. Fundraising & events: PA needs LEADERS+volunteers to spearhead events, sign up using [this link](#)
 - a. Broadway Magic Hour (1/25) - <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/magic-hour-with-carl-mercurio-and-jim-vines>
 - b. Kpop Demon Hunters Movie Sing-a-long (2/7) afternoon
 - c. Book Fair (3/16-3/23)
- C. Fifth Grade Committee
 - a. Holiday Winter Market
 - i. Pop Up Book Fair (12/16–12/17)
 - ii. Holiday Candygram Sale (12/19 Delivery)
 - iii. Winter Holiday Market (12/19) - may be a part 2....TBA
 - iv. PA received the invoice for the graduation package - a little higher than what was originally budgeted. Ms. Bryant may need to call for another meeting to discuss budget.
 - b. 2026-2027 5th Grade Committee
 - i. Asked parents to stay behind after Nutcracker performance about planning & fundraising for next year.
 - ii. Valentine's Day Sale - Snack Train Valentine's Edition - The Love Train is coming into the station! - Michele offered to chair.
- D. Residencies
 - a. Grant for Dance - Marquis Studios - Ms. Russell confirmed the grant will cover new residency for 2nd grade - theme of dancing around the world. Narrowing it down to which cultural dances will be taught. Plus third grade Broadway.

V. Discussion

Karla - reaching out to the 112 Precinct to get their assistance - #1 thing to do to help - Call 311 and register a request with them. Lot of success with crosswalks and stop signs put in - then Karla can send data to the Community Board.

Summer Camp raffle - partnered with some summer camps and raffled off summer camp voucher. A few vouchers for 1 free week of summer camp from M&S. Unfortunately weren't able to secure school building for summer camp, so back at original M&S Learning location. They are open to busing.

Swim classes January 29.

VI. Adjournment

- A. End recording