



General PTA Meeting Minutes 10/8/19
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM, Cafeteria

1. Meeting Start – Call to Order
 - a. Katherine opened the meeting at 8:36
2. Approval of Minutes, 09/11/19
 - a. Minutes approved
3. Co-Treasurer's Report
 - a. Dabo: PTA has approximately \$75K in the bank account. The budget handout shows what our target is for various items and what we've actually raised so far. At this time, not much has been raised since most fundraising events haven't happened yet.
 - i. Katherine: If you're going to donate to BTG, good to do so now if possible.
 - b. NY Charities Update
 - i. Dabo: Summary of the background (NYCharities, our former online donations processor, went dark over the summer, we lost ~\$12,500, many other organizations were affected). We now have a new platform: Donorbox. Donorbox is backed by Stripe and we get funds every two days rather than once a month.
4. Co-President's Report – 5 minutes
 - a. Katherine: Introduction of new initiative, "Peck Slip Experiences". PSE is a series of parties and events hosted by parents--the hosting families create a party and incur the costs associated with it, tickets are then sold and 100% of the revenue goes back to the school. Examples: father son basketball game, taco night, ice cream social, craft or baking sessions, etc. Looking for families to host events--if interested, contact Katherine or Amy. Great way to mix up social circles and meet new people. Also looking at "dipjar", a platform for quick and easy donations.
5. Principal's Update
 - a. Maggie: Plug for joining the SLT. SLT helps develop the school's Comprehensive Education Plan. Members include 4-5 parents, a PTA member, the principal, and UFT leader. Some initiatives promoted by SLT are screen free night and the adult read-a-thon.
6. Fall Mixer
 - a. Joe: This Thursday, can still buy tickets
7. Bridge The Gap
 - a. Elizabeth: Bridge the Gap is a fundraising campaign to raise the difference between the money the DOE provides and the money we want to make the school as great as it is. We'll be reaching out during family days and backpacking info home. Particular focus on participation this year--would ideally like as many people as possible to donate, even if it's not much.
8. Taste of The Seaport, Sat., 10/19

- a. Katie R and Annie: We need about 300-350 volunteers, can volunteer for 1-hour slots or as much as you'd like. There will be a kids zone and block party. Tickets available now as well an online volunteer sign up
9. Community Education Council Update
- a. Emily H.: CEC is similar to a school board, it represents District 2. CEC helps with zoning issues, proposes resolutions and is currently working on ways to address the significant segregation of NYC's schools. Sign up at <https://www.cecd2.net/> to get on the mailing list. Next meeting is on October 28th.
10. Committee Briefings:
- a. Book Fair
 - i. Amanda: Still finalizing dates for the book fair, want to make sure it overlaps with PTCs. Then will reach out to people who have expressed interest in volunteering.
 - b. Thanksgiving Pie Drive
 - i. Tiffany: We are using Carousel Cakes, Oprah approved vendor. Pies and cakes will be delivered week of Thanksgiving. Note that kids can ask parents' coworkers to order.
 - c. Coat Drive
 - i. Amanda: Will probably begin on Halloween, collecting coats for Salvation Army
 - d. Poinsettias
 - i. Melissa: If you know of a building/building board/company who would be interested in ordering for their holiday decor, let her know.
 - e. Auction Planning Committee
 - i. Katherine: Date is likely May 2nd, derby theme, hoping to get a bourbon sponsor. Monthly planning meetings will begin soon.
11. 250 Water Street Update
- a. Emily: Howard Hughes delivered a plan for remediation last month that has a 30-day comment period. We have asked for an extension to December 1st and will likely get it. We have specific asks like additional air monitoring, site tents and an independent overseer. Sign up with Children First for more info
12. Nominate & Vote for SLT Positions
- a. Three nominees, they each introduced themselves and explained why they were running
13. Break to Vote and Complete any Volunteer Sheets
- a. First SLT vote was a tie, run-off vote
14. SLT Winners Announced
- a. Kan Devani is the new SLT member
15. Meeting Finalized – Meeting close at 9:22am

Peck Slip School Committees:

Welcoming Committee - Elizabeth	Social Media / Website/ Graphics - Toni
Back to School Party - Elisa	Thanksgiving Pie Drive - Tiffany
Peck Slip Spring Auction - Melissa + Erin + Katherine	Read-A-Thon - Craig
Taste of the Seaport	Community Service Committee - Amanda (with Cara and Kira)
Corporate Fundraising Committee - Deanne + Natalie	Community Crawl - Tiffany
Bridge The Gap - EVs	Bake Sales
School Store - Juliette and Natalia	After Dark Dance Party - Mae Sue & Natalia
Book Fair (Fall/Spring) - Colleen + Amanda	Holiday Poinsettias - Melissa
Parent's Night Out - Katherine	Teacher Appreciation Day - Juliette
Variety Show - Melissa	End of Year Party
Budget Committee - Dabo + Jason	Peck Slip Experiences - Amy & Katherine
Credit Card Dip Committee - Amy & Katherine	

Professional Skills Needed: Graphic Designer, CPA, Computer Skills, Photographer, Videographer

Volunteers Always Needed!! Sign up at
<https://forms.gle/nXNxc6hvQ5a1fdGi8>
Or visit PeckSlipPTA.org -- "More" tab - "Volunteer" tab
Thank you!



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