



## PS 130 PTA Meeting Minutes - October 18, 2018

**Call to Order** - Lisa official 6:21pm, started at 6:13pm

**Reading of Minutes** -Waived

**Officer Daniel McGrath** - Neighborhood Safety Update

- Officer McGrath spoke about the incident at Greenwood Playground that happened on 10/09.
  - There was outrage by the community. He personally called the DA and expressed his concern.
  - Q: what happened? A: An unruly man assaulted a young child.
  - Q: How long was response time? A: he will check, he doesn't know.
  - Q: was the man arrested before? A: Yes a few times
  - Q: what can we do to keep the community safe? A: if you see something suspicious like an adult without children at the playground. Call 911
  - Q: Adults use the bathroom. They get off the hwy and run in. A: This is different. Only call 911 if the adult stays in the playground and has no kids with him. (left his business card to give him a call for more information)
  - Q: Are you in touch or is there coordination with the parks department? A: Yes. great relationship. Will call them tomorrow to ask for a PEP officer to be around the playground
  - Q: what happened to the child? A: Can't say, but he is doing well.
  - C: Thank you for all the work you do, especially for the crossing guards A: You're welcome, it is a collaborative effort with the parents

**Treasury Report** - Owen

- Current Cash Balance: \$98K with \$31K (Restricted grant funding)
- Income to Date (Gross)
  - Annual Appeal: \$14K
  - Book sale: \$4K
  - Fall Fest: \$15K
  - Movie night: \$1300
- Expenses to Date: \$42K
  - School Support/Enrichment and Fundraising/Community Events

**Principal's Report: After-School programs' pick up procedures**

Jenny and Stephanie gave the report. Ms. Nunziata at a meeting.

- Thank you to the PTA and parents. Fall fest was amazing. The money raised goes to great things for the students.
- We are working with NYU's Center for Strategic Solutions. We're having training about equity in education on election day for teachers and paras. Then, we'll have the first meeting for the Diversity and Equity Committee in late November. The SLT is going to help us recruit parents to join.
- Working with City and Country school to train and incorporate block study
- Block room in the upper school- formed connection with the Beam Center. Learning how to make the most out of the space.
  - Working tables arrived

- 5th grade to be the first grade to do a project, using drills, saws, safety glasses. Teachers are very excited.
- Projects will be extended to the other grades throughout the year.
- Stephanie is very excited. Kids will get engineering and design experience
- Admin had the first meeting with Trust for public land. They first start with a participatory design with the students. They will ask 3rd grade and 2nd grade students for their ideas. More details to come.
- After school program pick up - Stephanie
  - Class starts at 8:30am. Kids are asked to arrive at 8:20 to settle down. Then start the day.
  - After school programs start pick up at 2:30pm. Period ends at 2:35pm. Dismissal in yard is at 2:40
  - After school programs pick up at 2:30, the rest of the 5 minutes the children are getting ready to line up to go to the yard
  - The goal is to keep kids safe
  - Admin heard that some after schools were picking up at 2:15. Right away they spoke to that program. Programs cannot pick up before 2:30pm
  - Q: Parents child is picked up at 2:20 and out by 2:30. He is picked up by 2 different programs. Child is missing a minutes of Gym and Choice time. PS 130 is the only school that has this early pick up policy and what Stephanie is saying is not accurate.
    - A: There are 11 programs picking up at the same time. Admin will continue to monitor the After school programs. Kindergarten is the only one that gets dismissed at 2:30pm.
    - It is true that after school programs have to be in the building by 2:15. Doors get locked. Safety agent has to go to the backyard and cannot leave the door open in the front.
  - Q: Parent wants transparency. How do other parents, not in this meeting know about this policy? Missing instructional time adds up.
  - Q/C: Parent -it's not 5 minutes. Tell everyone.
    - We will take into consideration. There are a lot of bodies moving up and down. We hear what parents are saying.
  - Q/C: Parent -it's not 5 minutes. Tell everyone.
    - A: Lisa - Lisa has a 2nd grader. There are more programs now, and it is hard to add new one. Please be patient. The school had policies and procedures.
  - Q/C: Parent works at other schools with a lot of different programs
  - Debbie Desmangles - Site supervisor of JCC Bklyn Windsor Terrace
    - JCC picks up 16 students a day. They have 2-3 counselors. Walking room to room is a challenge. They start with the 5th FI to Pre K
    - She encourages counselors not to pick up to early. But the doors are closed if they don't arrive on time.
    - If teachers can send kids to a designated area for JCC to pick up, that would work. She is open to suggestions. Will set a date with the after school committee
  - Stephanie - Looking at solutions. Not unwilling to change. Kids safety is first. Your comments are not falling on deaf ears.
- Brad Lander stopped by
  - Crosswalk lights are working well so far. Thank you for pushing and organizing
  - Lower school playground redesigning. He is happy to work, give and make that happen.

- 5th grade parents - Thank you for leaning toward new changes. Willing to work towards a diverse community helped District 15 move forward. The changes are new and confusing, but he is optimistic.
- Crossing guards - added a crossing guard supervisor. They will show up when someone is out, make sure guard is present and doing the job correctly. All due to the work we did together.
  - Stephanie - She saw a crossing guard supervisor in action by her son's school in Carroll Gardens. New position is a great idea and it's working.

### SLT Report

- Jenny - SLT had its 2nd meeting. Getting committees running like the care group, diversity committee. Right now looking at the CEP - Does the plan reflect what we are doing?

### Kids in the Game Presentation - By Mr. Kazam program manager.

- Continually evaluating recess to keep it fun, safe and active
- Review of space - effectively utilize the space, review concerns and implement changes
- Increase student participation

Debbie Deanne spoke - Sorry that she hasn't reached out. Upper school has a small space and the biggest issue is free play

- Mr. Kazan - Basketball court is divided in 2 outer space is free play.
  - They are going to try and divide the entire space in 4 sections
- Q: kids that don't play organized games, can't run
  - A: he didn't know, all kids should be able to run
    - Lisa has been to recess and sees the kids running.
- Q: One fourth of the space for unstructured games?
  - A: ¼ organized game by KITG, ¼ organized game by KITG, ¼ organized game by an aide and ¼ free play
- Q: Is the lowerschool the same?
  - A: It is easier at the Lowserschool. Kids play one organized game. This is by the Pre K entrance area. The middle is free play and the far edge is an organized game.

### Expenditure Request

- **\$325 (½ of cost): 4th Grade - 2nd day of Jeff Gottlieb (extended lesson on longhouses); and the New York City Urban Park Rangers Native American history tour of Prospect Park**
- \$325 will come from the unrestricted PTA funds and \$325 from Social Studies Grant Funds
- Approved.

### New Business

- **Presidents' SLT Designation - Approval**
  - Matt Brown was chosen as the SLT rep for the PTA
  - Approved
- **Science Committee**
  - Help Ms. Mallory like a class parent. She does a lot of walking trips. Help with class setup.
  - Volunteer if you have time during the day
  - Committee was approved
- **Annual Appeal**
  - Annual appeal at 14K now. These funds help a lot of things in the school. We ask that you match what we spend per kid. We know its hard. The sooner the better as we are writing a lot of checks.
  - Any amount you contribute is a good amount.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **10/19 Movie Night (Hotel Transylvania 3)**
  - Kate F - Consider volunteering for an hour or 2
- **10/25 Spanish Families Night**
- **11/4 Fall Spruce Up**
- **11/6 Election Day Bake Sale**
- **11/17 Art Auction**
  - Kate F. - Raised 10K last year. Fund the art boxes.
  - They have 16 interesting submissions pieces of art so far, but need more. Last year we had 88 pieces. Use the link on the flyer to donate.
  - OR you can help, by coming to the event. It is a lot of fun.
- **12/8 Winter Bazaar**
- **12/16 Brooklyn Nets Game FUNdraiser**

**Adjournment: 7:21pm**

**Approved By Co-President:**

