

## Welcome to the October 2023 General PTA Meeting

October 2, 2023 | 6:30 PM

## A few things before we begin...

- In the interest of time and flow,
   Student of the Month
  presentations and the Q&A will
  occur at the end of the meeting
- Let's practice '**one mic**' and be respectful of others
- Adult bathrooms are opposite the Main Office EXIT.

#### Welcome

- Call to Order: Athena Gonzalez and Tara Alcaraz, *PTA Co-Presidents*
- All information and minutes from *this* meeting will be posted on our website, **ptaofps166.org**, on the **Helpful Resources** page.
- Approval of Minutes from September 11, 2023 General PTA Meeting (Barbara Coogan, *Recording Secretary*)
  - Meeting minutes are shared on our website soon after the previous meeting has concluded.



## PTA Executive Board 2023–2024

#### **Executive Board Officers**

Co-Presidents: Athena Gonzalez and Tara Alcaraz Treasurer: Claudia Henriquez, Brian Krichevsky Recording Secretary: Barbara Coogan

#### **Committee Chairs**

Fundraising: Athena Gonzalez, Paola Mena
Social Events: Danielle Bazelais, Christa Lynche
Enrichment: Joseph Varghese (JV), Joseph Kultgen (JK)
Community Engagement: Stephanie Tellez, Tomiko Sharpnack,
Brian Haughney
Communications: Elizabeth O'Connor, Ryan Kasal

#### Ad Hoc Committee Chairs

Garden: OPEN Co-Chairs

Auction: Susan Phuvasitkul and Mariska Lambrechts

If you are interested in **co-chairing** a Committee with open spots above, please reach out to us at **info@ptaofps166.org** for more information.

# **PTA and Executive Board Meeting Dates**

#### **General PTA Meetings**

The PTA will meet the first Monday of the month from 6:30–7:30 p.m. in the PS166Q Auditorium unless a holiday or school event conflicts:

Nov 6 | Dec 4 | Jan 8 | Feb 5 Mar 4 | Apr 8 | May 6 | Jun 3

Reminder emails are sent out to all parents for these meetings and posts are shared via Class Dojo and Facebook.

#### **PTA Executive Committee Meetings**

Per the Chancellor's regulations and our PTA Bylaws, the PTA Executive Committee will meet via Zoom on the third Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

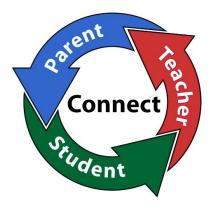
#### As outlined in our bylaws:

All PTA members are welcome to attend executive board meetings. General members must submit a request via email, pertaining to the topic of discussion, two weeks prior. The Executive Board (by vote) must approve in order for the member(s) to participate in the meeting.

## **President's Report**

PTA Co-Presidents, Athena Gonzalez and Tara Alcaraz

- Welcome to all caregivers, parents and family members
- Special welcome to NEW families to PS166Q
- REMINDER: All PTA Board Members are volunteers and you are all members by simply being caregivers and parents
- We have a strong PTA at PS166Q that aims to effectively communicate and collaborate with the administration, teachers, and families to give our children the best possible academic and social education possible
- Our goal is to make our school and community better, and advocate for educational opportunities (bravo Enrichment programs!) that benefit all children in the school



## **Treasurer's Report**

#### PTA Co-Treasurers, Claudia Henriquez and Brian Krichevsky

#### Parent Teacher Association of PS 166 Profit & Loss July through August 2023

	Jul - Aug 23		
Income			
106-000 · Branded Merchandise	247.26		
111-000 · Interest Income	11.32		
49900 · Uncategorized Income	5,472.12		
Total Income	5,730.70		
Gross Profit	5,730.70		
Expense			
600-000 · Equitable School Supplies Proje	79.02		
601-000 · Administrative Expense	47.20		
604-000 · Branded Merchandise Expense	4,620.75		
615-000 · Social Events			
615-011 · Pig Beach	939.00		
Total 615-000 · Social Events	939.00		
619-000 · Plant Sale Expenses	1,109.95		
624-000 · Teacher Appreciation Expense	750.00		
Total Expense	7,545.92		
Net Income	-1,815.22		

## **Treasurer's Report**

#### PTA Co-Treasurers, Claudia Henriquez and Brian Krichevsky

Depart Teacher Acception of DC 400

Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2023					
	Aug 31, 23				
SSETS					
Current Assets					
Checking/Savings	101 100 11				
101-002 · Connect One Bank	131,120.11				
Total Checking/Savings	131,120.11				
Total Current Assets	131,120.11				
OTAL ASSETS	131,120.11				
IABILITIES & EQUITY					
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities Accounts Payable					
20000 · Accounts Payable	4,699.77				
Total Accounts Payable	4,699.77				
Total Current Liabilities	4,699.77				
Total Liabilities	4,699.77				
E mailes					
Equity 30000 · Opening Balance Equity	13,531.65				
32000 · Retained Earnings	114,703.91				
Net Income	-1,815.22				
Total Equity	126,420.34				
OTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	131,120.11				

## **Fundraising Committee Report**

Fundraising Co-Chairs, Athena Gonzalez and Paola Mena

- Let's review and see what's coming up
  - **Picture Days** :: **October 5–6**, during school (with Irvin Simon)
  - Fall Festival :: October 25, 2023 Street Festival
  - Candy Sale :: October 27 November 10
  - Back-to-School Swag Sale :: going on now!
  - **Name Bubbles label fundraiser** (ongoing) :: trying to keep our Lost & Found bins empty.
    - PTA will get a cut of all sales: https://bit.ly/3Y69Z9B
- Remember that throughout the year, more ways to give...
  - FlipGive, Book Culture, General PTA Fund, Matching Gifts, ESS, DonorsChoose (currently four PS166Q projects needing funding)

If you are interested in joining the Fundraising Committee,

please reach out to us at <a href="mailto:fundraising@ptaofps166.org">for more information</a>.



## **Equitable School Supplies (ESS) Committee Report**

#### Co-Chairs Tomiko Sharpnack, Brian Haughney and Stephanie Tellez

- We are still collecting payment for **Equitable School Supplies** for this school year.
- The cost is **\$45** per student. Please go to our website or use our QR code **'Scan. Pay. Done.'** while you're here tonight!
- Please **pay it forward** to help families who can't afford it by choosing a higher quantity at checkout.
- Look for the QR code banners outside the front of the school and side entrances to pay.
- We've collected \$21,330 and purchased \$13,000 worth of supplies so far.. We will be placing another order soon and then a restocking of paper towels, ziploc bags and tissues around January.



## **Enrichment Committee Report**

Enrichment Chairs, Joseph Varghese (JV) and Joseph Kultgen (JK)

Let's meet our Fall semester teaching partners

- Town Hall: Dance
- Art House: Music Explorations
- Art House: What Is Theater?
- Move One Chess with Tom Moran: Chess instruction
- KidSpire: Architecture
- RIOULT: Dance with Anastasia



If you are interested in helping out with Enrichment, email us at <u>enrichment@ptaofps166.org</u>.

## **Enrichment Committee Report**

Enrichment Chairs, Joseph Varghese (JV) and Joseph Kultgen (JK)

2023-2024		Fall				Spring			
Grade (#of class)	# of classes	Program	# Sessions	\$ Per Session	Total Cost	Program	# Sessions	\$ Per Session	Total Cost
Kindergarten	6	Begins Spring 2024				RIOULT- Dance	10	\$80	\$4,800
1st	5	RIOULT- Dance	10	\$80	\$4,000	NYC Children's Theatre aka NYCCT	12		\$0
2nd	6	Art House - Music Explorations	10	\$72	\$4,320	Architecture (KidSpire)	2	\$292	\$3,504
3rd	5	Art House - What is Theater?	10	\$72	\$3,600	Chess - Tom	12	\$66	\$3,960
4th	7	Chess - Tom	12	\$66	\$5,544	Town Hall	8	\$112	\$6,272
5th	5	NYC Children's Theatre aka NYCCT			\$0	Town Hall	8	\$112	\$4,480
								Total Estimate	\$40,480

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## **Social Events Committee Report**

Social Events Co-Chairs, Christa Lynche and Danielle Bazelais

- Let's review and see what's coming up
  - Mad Scientist event :: Thursday, October 5
    - **FREE** to all PS166Q families: come make experiments
    - Limited capacity as usual, must RSVP for **KIDS ONLY**
  - International Potluck event :: Thursday, November 9th

If you are interested in helping out with any of these events, volunteers are needed, or you might like to join the committee, email us at <u>social@ptaofps166.org</u>.





## **Communications Committee Report**



Communications Chair, Elizabeth O'Connor and Ryan Kasal

- The PTA of PS166Q is on Facebook AND Instagram @ptaofps166q (and ClassDojo)
  - Look out for regular updates and announcements there.
- Our website (www.ptaofps166.org) will allow you to add events and meetings to Google or iCal calendars from our **Events and Meetings** page in "**Get Involved**."
  - Our entire website can be translated into any language via the Google Translate pulldown menu and so can the text of Facebook and Dojo posts.
- Class Parents: reach out to comms@ptaofps166.org if you're interested in volunteering for your child's class this year to help build community there.

If you are interested in joining the Communications Committee, please reach out to us at <u>comms@ptaofps166.org</u> for more information.

## **Auction Committee Report**

#### Auction Co-Chairs, Susan Phuvasitkul and Mariska Lambrechts

#### Annual Auction: Online bidding and in-person event :: May 2024

This is **our biggest fundraiser** of the year! We have Big Dreams of raising up to **\$40K** in 2024! All of the funds raised will go toward student enrichment programs like chess, theater, architecture, and Equitable School Supplies

- We need passionate volunteers who can help solicit sponsorships and donations, manage Auctria software, plan the event, and help market the event. We appreciate any amount of time you can commit, even if it's just asking your company for a donation. Talk to us, or email **auction@ptaofps166.org**
- Committee kickoff meeting: October date TBD
- Look out for our upcoming survey and **share your ideas** on what our auction should look like!



## **Garden Committee Report**

#### Garden Co-Chairs, VACANCY

• Coordinate with participating 4th and 5th grade teachers in both the Fall and Spring to maintain the garden



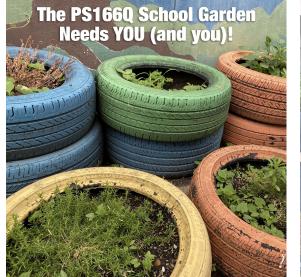
- Usually 4–5 classes twice a month from September–October and April–June.
- Coordinate with kindergarten teachers for Spring butterfly activity (purchasing only)
- The joy on the kids faces is really palpable as many of them are apartment dwellers and rarely touch dirt at this stage of their lives.
- Lots of weeding, trash removal, and covering of all areas without plants with mulch to keep weeds from growing.
- Teachers are fans of the students being in the garden whenever they can.
  - During times that the students aren't able to participate, Co-Chairs can weed and remove trash from the garden, sometimes planting seeds or buying plants.
- PTA has an annual budget for all garden needs and activities.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Committee, please reach out to us at <a href="mailto:garden@ptaofps166.org">garden@ptaofps166.org</a> for more information.

## **Let's Grow Together!**

Please consider helping so that all PS166Q students get a chance to get their hands dirty at their school garden. It's a Bulldogs right of passage!









# Principal's Report

# Ms. Geller

- Welcome
- School updates
- Q&A will happen at the end of the meeting

## **School News**

#### Updates from the School Leadership Team (SLT) at PS166Q

The School Leadership Team (SLT) is a group of people who develop educational policies for their school. They also make sure there are resources to support those policies.

#### SLTs:

- Provide ongoing evaluations of a school's educational programs and their impact on student achievement
- Play an important role in school-based decision-making
- Help to make school cultures more collaborative

## **School News**

- New Business
- Q&A
- Other Topics



## **Student of the Month Recipients**

Congratulations to all the Students of the Month.

#### **Dream Big, Work Hard**

Enjoy your free cookie from Panera down the block.

Tell your classmates that they can get a free cookie coupon at the PTA meeting when they're Student of the Month next.





# Thank you and see you next month

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