

PS 166Q February 2022 PTA meeting:

The general monthly meeting for the PTA of PS 166Q was held on Monday, February 7, 2022 via Zoom. It was called to order at 6:36 PM, presided over by Jennifer Tuttle -

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Highlights of the minutes for January 2022 were read to membership. The minutes are approved without opposition.

****Note: SLT Nomination & vote. Purpose of SLT – help create a better school culture and more collaborative with entire school community (administration, parents and teachers). Meets 1st Monday of month 2hrs, 1 mid-month meeting approx. 1 hr, 3yr commitment. Nominees spoke and after vote Erin Bersak became the new SLT member*****

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Ms.Geller welcomes everyone
- 2/8/22 will be the 1st day in 2 yrs without active covid cases
- Sending home test kits as we have a large supply of them. Please use them during the break. Take a test before you come back to school on 2/28
- Waiting for guidance on mask
- Thank you to parents who participated in career day
- 2/2 – administration read to students, 3/2 parents to read out loud
- Classes decorated doors for Black History Month.T
- Follow PS166Q on social media
- Parent/Teacher conference virtual on 3/3
- Mid-Winter break 2/21-2/25

TREASURY REPORT

- 2/4 close books with \$20k in new funds, \$13,500 from vax referral program..
- Interim financial report will be submitted to Ms.Geller for DOE reporting
- Don't forget Amazon Smile program – must reset it on your mobile to donate to PS166Q
- Flipgive is aother way to support PTA of PS166

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Reminder that PTA meetings 1st of the month. If anyone wants to discuss anything specific during the meeting please submit a request 2 weeks prior.
- Meeting dates for the remainder of school year - 3/7, 4/4, 5/2, 6/6
- Testing in the schools. Please give consent for testing. It is a way to keep our community safer as Miss Geller said the process at ps166 Q's really streamlines. It's a very delicate process, there's no insertion of a Q tip, high up into the nose, it's just a gentle swab around the lower part of the nostril.

- You can give consent via the DOE Health Screening. There's a consent tab right on top.
- Auction meeting will be held on 2/17 at 830pm. This year auction will be online.
- A call for a new fundraising chair/co-chair. Fundraising committee primary goal is to raise money for the school to help support the enrichment programs and social events that is offered to students. Some examples: Original works, magic show, plant sale, carnival etc.
- Support PS 166Q with eve4ry purchase on smile.amazon.com, use charity name PTA of PS166Q
- Read-A-Thon coming next month. Details to follow

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Enrichment

- Kindergarten – 1 enrichment program
- Grades 1-4 will be getting 2 enrichment programs
- 5th grade will get 1

Communication

- New website coming
- Need graphic designer, IT or marketing folks, and translators. Please email PTA if interested

SLT Report

- Project pop up vax ended. We had 171 referrals approx. \$17k in referrals.
- 5th grade end of year celebration and graduation in discussion. More to come
- Vegan Fridays did not happen. There was a mix up. Vegan food may be stuck with pizza somewhere on a ship. Will discuss with PS166 Café chef on what vegan options we can provide
- Budget funds to spend on phonics support and education recovery
- Middle School Applications are open. Virtual information session for 5th grade parents will be provided
- Half day for students on day of parent teacher conference
- Respect for all week starts 2/11
- My own book fund will allow grades 3 & 4 to pick books from Barnes & Noble
- Eyes on Education will be coming to offer free full eye examines and glasses (for those who need them)
- iReady #2 all done

*****Questions – question on what is the protocol for recess? Recess depends on the weather. We try to get the kids out as much as possible. On days they don't get out movies are rotated. Parent was concerned over the constant yelling of lunch aides during recess. Ms. Geller will investigate. Another question was asked about creative movement with Ms. Roiloto. She is using youtube videos instead of having students actually move. Ms. Geller was not aware and will investigate.*****

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 740pm