

PS 166Q. January 9, 2023 PTA meeting:

The general monthly meeting for the PTA of PS 166Q was held on Monday, January 9, 2023 via Zoom. It was called to order at 6:36 PM. Present Exec board members Elizabeth O'Connor, Sean Holohan, Barbara Coogan and PTA committee chairs all present for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

PTA PRESIDENT REPORT

- Welcomes all families to the meeting.
- Expressed PTA's need for help. ALL Exec Board Members are looking for co-chairs. There are vacant committees in need of chairs/co-chairs. Please email the PTA for more details of responsibilities and month-to-month hours.
- Asked for a show of hands to reopen online swag store. Will poll on FB as well.
- Congrats to the January Students of the Month
- Thank you to all donors, especially to the donor who gave the PTA a very generous donation. We appreciate all donations as they help our PTA continue to provide enrichment classes to our students.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Ms.Geller welcomes all families – Happy New Year
- It was National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. We had a special guest, the NYPD Jazz Band, who performed for our students.
- Enrichment classes are up and running – Chess, dance, and theater.
- 1/11 – college pride day, 1/16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day – no school, 1/18 – career dress up day, 1/25 – career day
- Please note that if it weren't for the PTA, PS 166Q would not have enrichment classes. Our PTA's support in providing and paying for these enrichment classes. It sets PS 166 apart from other schools in Astoria. These enrichment classes are provided via PTA donations and fundraising. This is why it is important for our parental community to help support our PTA and help volunteer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fundraising – reported by Elizabeth O'Connor

- We are still in need of a fundraising chair/co-chairs.
- Original Works fundraiser raised \$276 from 21 orders.
- January 24 will be 5th grade cap/gown pictures day, class photos, as well as retakes. We need volunteers for AM/PM shifts which will be indoors.
- Carnival (Feb 15–17): This is a fundraiser, \$10 per student. (shows slides of inflatables). Need volunteers for all days AM/PM shifts. *** a vote was held to increase cost of Carnival budget by \$3k, 100% Yes ***
- Read-a-Thon: (March 2–17): need a volunteer to lead this fundraiser.

Auction – Carlos

- Will be an online auction, Mon–Fri, May 8–12
- Kick off meeting on 1/12 at 9 pm if anyone wants to join.
- If you have a business or know of a business who wants to sponsor the auction, please contact Carlos Encinias
- We need help with graphics and announcements.

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- We will take inventory of what is needed between now and end of year.
- Will take inventory of what is needed for next year.
- Payments will go up. We will keep everyone posted.

Social

- January 18 – Movie Night – Super Pets. 5 pm doors will open with a prompt start at 5:15 pm.
- Snacks and water will be sold
- Need parent volunteers
- Must RSVP as there are capacity limits. Must show proof of COVID vaccine.

Comms/Class Parents

- If you are a class parent, please forward PTA info to your class WhatsApp or Facebook page

TREASURY REPORT

**** Tabled report to February ****

SLT Report

- Michelle Perr gives SLT update
- Mr Roman a new dad – congratulations
- We have a new PreK teacher who is filling in for someone on leave.
- Dr. Composto gave us all great reviews
- Enrichment classes have started. Grades 1–5 get two enrichment classes Fall/Spring
- Kindergarten will start enrichment in the Spring
- 2nd grade has Kidspire and ArtHouse
- 3rd grade has Theater

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.