

**PTO General Meeting - 1/16/2020**

**8 Executive Board Members in Attendance:**

Presidents: Idesha and Jenn

VPs of Fundraising: Christina and Tracey

VP of Outreach: Brianna

Recording Secretary: Chris

Middle School Liaison: Malaika

Treasurer: Angela

Membership Committee: Mike Newman

# 6:10 P.M.: Call to order

# 6:11: School Leadership Team (“SLT”) Presentation (Steve and Principal Amy)

* Introduction to SLT
* 5 priority areas for SLT:
	+ 1. Effective School Leadership
		- Equity Instructional Leadership Team
		- Horizon program
		- Ensuring parents receive weekly updates
	+ 2. Improvement of family ties:
		- Family Fridays
			* Grade appropriate activities for Family Fridays
		- Parent workshops
			* New math
			* Technology
			* Dealing with tantrums
			* Middle school application / acceptance process
			* Working on a universal electronic communication system
		- Nurturing diversity at 282:
			* Meeting with District 13 superintendent to discuss possible solutions
			* Outreach to pre-k programs in District 13 to encourage applicants
	+ 3. SEE LIST OF PRIORITIES STEVE TALKED ABOUT
* Perceived “Wins” to date under Principal Amy:
	+ 4th and 5th grade student committee which interacts with 282 administration
	+ Musical IQ
	+ Comfort dog
	+ Nugen at recess
	+ Equity Instructional Leadership Team
	+ 15 new air conditioners have been received as of 1/16
* Items to be addressed:
	+ Improving communications:
		- Base Camp – comprehensive communication system interface between administration, teachers and parents
		- Looking at a number of Student management / Learning management systems
	+ Top down review of each teacher and their
* Upcoming:
	+ Black History Month Night at the Museum
	+ Email forthcoming with next steps from the SLT

# 6:45: Finance Review (Angela)

* Review of 282’s P&L for the 2019-2020 school year
	+ This high-level categorical summary will be the format going forward.
	+ Parents are welcome to review the finance in more detail by appointment.
* We remain on target for revenue and expenses for the school year.

# 6:51: Fundraising (Tracey & Christina)

* Movie night last week - $1,300
* Upcoming events:
	+ January:
		- Graphics Contest – posters are up at school, ends 1/31/2020
		- 1/31: 282 Day at Chipotle (Flatbush Ave. ????). 33% of proceeds go to 282 if you say you’re there from 282.
	+ Jan / Feb:
		- F45 fundraiser. Begins 1/26. Free week of training. Donations will be made to 282 PTO in different increments depending on level of interest.
	+ February:
		- 2/5: Give $5, get a button
		- Movie night, hosted by Green Zone, **need volunteers**
		- 2/7, 2/10: Valentine’s Day pop up shop in lobby.
	+ 3/16: Spring Auction Party
	+ 6/6: Fair for the Arts (**we need a co-chair and volunteers**)
* Amazon purchases:
	+ Please use this link to make purchases, as the PTO gets a share of each purchase (link also available on each PTO email): <https://www.amazon.com/?&tag=282org-20&camp=216797&creative=394601&linkCode=ur1&adid=0HSKVSBC0FHAZH24C6DP&&ref-refURL=http://rcm.amazon.com/e/cm%3Ft%3D282org-20%26o%3D1%26p%3D48%26l%3Dur1%26category%3Damazonhomepage%26f%3Difr>
	+ You can also use Smile Amazon
* Teacher wish lists
	+ Individual lists for teachers are available on Smile Amazon. Link also available on the PTO website: <https://www.282parkslope.org/282-pto-1>

# 7:03: Outreach Updates (Brianna)

* School tours:
	+ The tours this year have continued to be great, with approx. 110 people attending the last tour.
	+ **Thank you to all our fantastic volunteers!!**
* Grant writing:
	+ We need help with grant writing. A committee was formed this year, and we need more participation.
	+ Please bring any grants you find to Brianna and Chris’ attention, or just use this link and enter the grants directly: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PRK9eBf_9SZe-VEKOnxHGD2O-ElCTWHRvlZeNibhnyk/edit?usp=sharing>
	+ Contact us about how you can get involved in this low risk / high reward proposition that directly benefits your child!

# 7:06: Communications (Jenn)

* Please let us know if you are not receiving weekly PTO emails. Check your spam
* Subscribe to social media. We post each week, so stay tuned!

# 7:07: Green Zone (Tracey)

* Saturday 1/25 (9am to 3pm) is a garden day where we will be building the new garden beds. Beds employ a system of wire mesh and rock to deter rodents from burrowing.
* **We need pebbles for bed boxes and pebbles**

# 7:08: Q&A

* Q: What is the issue with the copiers?
	+ A: Yes, there are ongoing issues with printers.
* Q: Does PTO refund teachers for supplies?
	+ A: Teachers need to fill out the forms (available in PTO office). Approx. four-week turnaround time for checks to be cut.

# 7:12 PM – Meeting Adjourned