



**PTA General Meeting  
November 15, 2023 at 8:15AM  
Location: School Library**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Review October Meeting Minutes – Approved**

**III. Treasurer's Report**

- We are in a good financial position as opposed to other schools in district
- We need to focus on fundraising to keep the numbers where they are
- Expenses haven't been a lot; our big expense was to upgrade staging and sound (now fully operable) in the gym
  - o We will schedule a liaison for tech to conduct a teach-in on the staging, lighting and sound

**IV. President's Report**

- Winter Concert is Dec 13
- We applied for a \$5k grant for the roof garden to buy furniture, benches, chairs; students are seeking additional funding from PTA (grant video was played)
- School store – we are selling merch during lunch on Friday Nov 20
- School auction – we want to start early with donations (letters to businesses) – we need someone to shadow Corinne and help with party planning, online data management etc.
- Yearbook – we desperately need volunteers to collect and hound for photos from school events; all grades

**V. Parent Coordinator Report**

- Group of eight graders are visiting School for Fashion Industries
- Winter clothing drive is being held next week Monday and Tuesday; boxes will be in lobby. Please bring in coats, hats, gloves etc.
- Wednesday we will be distributing to kids in the building
- Wednesday, Friendsgiving is being held; students and staff will eat lunch together. Students are asked to bring in a dish Wed morning. A link was sent to sign up for a dish or for volunteering; this will be redistributed.
- The next coffee talk is Nov 29 with youth community officers from sixth precinct to discuss safety with parents.

**VI. Principal's Report**

- Outlunch began for eight grade
  - o Expectations have been tightened and will be monitored.
  - o A staff member circulates outside so there is always an adult in case students need support.
  - o Students can go as far as Shake Shack.
  - o A representative from Ray's Deli came and spoke to kids about expectations 2 weeks ago.
  - o For behavior issues – students lose privilege for a week for first infraction and for a semester for the second infraction
- Seventh graders have not yet demonstrated they can be trusted outside so not in a rush to let



them go out for outlunch.

- Superintendent visit occurred last week. Dialog was good between students and principal/superintendent.
- Thank you to the PTA for the breakfast held before the SHSAT test last week.

**VII. New Business – Library Update from Donna**

- We are participating in the spelling bee; ran classroom bees last week. Next week will be grade-wide bees. Winners will compete in 3-person bee. Our school winner goes to the citywide spelling bee that will be hosted at 75 Morton!
- Sixth grade drive for library card is happening now
- If your child wants to do anything, come to Donna!
- Student council – discussing who will lead this from teachers, then we will start process within next few weeks.

**VIII. School Leadership Team Report**

- Still meeting; no update right now; by-laws have been finished.

**IX. Manhattan Youth Afterschool Program**

- New session signups are open now; next session starts 11/27
- Basketball tryouts are this week and kids are encouraged to sign up
- BSU field trip is Thursday
- Turkey trot is Thursday
- Cross Country Championship Meet was held yesterday at Van Cortlandt Park

**X. Old Business**

- Fright Night was a success for sixth graders! Please send photos if you have them!

**XI. Adjournment**

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