

**PTA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

*OCTOBER 19, 2017 AT 8:30AM IN THE CAFETERIA*

*APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE AT THE NOVEMBER 17, 2017 MEETING.*

**I. Call to Order**

Co-President Madelyn Storms called the meeting to order at 8:35AM. Quorum was established.

**II. Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2017 Meeting**

A MOTION to approve the minutes of the general membership meeting held on September 13, 2017 was made by Ms. Storms. The MOTION was seconded by Josh Weinberger. The minutes were unanimously passed.

**III. Principal's Corner**

Ms. Mastriano announced that our new Assistant Principal, Lindsay Kubera, has started. She also announced new staff members Michelle MacDonald, Erin Lederley and new classroom teachers Samantha Platt, Stephanie Stern, Stephanie Cohen and Eileen Cass.

Ms. Mastriano explained how the school is constantly adding new programs and materials to continue to grow. The administration is also working on interschool visitations to strengthen our curriculum and build on others learning. Ms. Mastriano is aware that some classrooms are not properly equipped and is working on resolutions.

A discussion ensued regarding emergency drills and what messaging is given to students. Because of the recent incident in the Bronx, there are going to be other measures put into schools. Another focus has been bullying which the DOE is continually working on.

**IV. RULER Program Presentation by Guidance Counselor, Michelle MacDonald**

Michelle MacDonald, our new guidance counselor, presented an overview of the RULER program. While the focus last year was on the four anchors, this year monthly character words are to highlight important characteristics we want all our community members to focus on. In February the year two program will be launched which is the feeling words curriculum. If parents would like to contact Ms. MacDonald, email is the most efficient method: [mmacdonald@ps166.org](mailto:mmacdonald@ps166.org).

**V. Standing Reports and Updates**

a. SLT

Ms. Roosevelt-Collmer provided a brief overview of the School Leadership Team and its five goals: (1) rigorous instruction in ELA and math and make sure we can measure progress through benchmarks, (2) supportive school environment implemented with the RULER program, (3) collaborative environment for the teachers, (4) effective school leadership, and (5) strong family and community ties.

c. CEC/President's Council

The next CEC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and focus on emergency and safety procedures.

d. Committees and Events

1. Fundraising

Our target for the year is \$550,000 in direct donations. We have raised over \$100,000 to date.

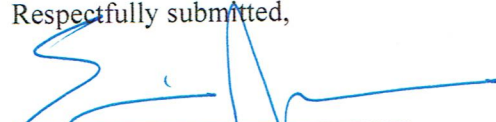
2. Green Committee

Mr. Weinberger provided a brief overview of the school's composting program. He also indicated that PS 166 received a perfect score from the sanitation department in September.

**VII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Volkmar, Recording Secretary