

Minutes
PS 166 PTA General Meeting
April 18, 2012

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by the PTA co-Presidents.

PTA President's Welcome

The PTA Co-Presidents opened the meeting making several announcements as follows:

- **Playground:** It appears that the playground renovation is still on track to take place during the summer of 2013. Manhattan Borough President, Scott Stringer and Council Member Gale Brewer have been very supportive.
- **C-30:** There is no update on the C-30 process.
- **Technology Grant:** The request has been turned in to the relevant authority.. The wiring alone will cost approximately \$44,000. Smart Boards will be installed classrooms for grades 3, 4 and 5. Kindergarten, 1 and 2 grades will share Elmo machines. There will be new Macintosh computers in many classrooms and in the computer laboratory.
- **Upcoming Budget Discussions (4/19, 4/26, 5/4)**

Wellness in the Schools Update

The number of children eating school lunch is increasing. This is an important trend if PS 166 is to keep the kitchen staff at current levels. The potato laboratories were very successful.

School Leadership Team Update

- **Math**

S. Goldblatt reported to the PTA on the discussions that have been taking place at the SLT regarding the math curriculum. At this point there will be no massive overhaul of the math curriculum. The Department of Education has yet to clarify the new core curriculum standards and will not be approving new math curriculum until that happens.

- **Coaches**

S. Goldblatt reported on the suggestion from PS 166's Network Leader that a literacy/curriculum coach would greatly benefit the school and the students.

- **Elections**

There are 2 SLT positions that will be open. Elections will be help following election for the PTA executive board.

External Affairs Update

S. Goldblatt reported on external affairs issues including the continuing problems with co-location of charter schools with other schools and the report that came back showing that there are no PCB issues at PS 166.

Auction

The Friends of PS 166 Spring Auction tickets are being sold on-line and at school. The on-line auction is open and it is important to bid. The link can also be sent to friends and family. The art projects for the auction will be shown in the library beginning Monday.

Walk-a-thon

The 2nd Annual Friends of PS 166 Walk-a-thon will take place on Friday, June 8. It will start in the playground.

PTA Elections and Budget

Elections for the PTA Executive Board will take place in May. In addition, the budget will be presented. The budget will be approved at the June General PTA meeting. It is important to come to the budget meetings if you want input.

Richard Rogers Day

Richard Rogers Day was very successful. Mary Rogers Gittel attended the assembly and spoke to the students.

Broadway Sings Recap

Broadway Sings was a great success.

Approval of March Minutes

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the March 2012 PTA General Meeting was unanimously approved by the following resolution:

Approval of the Minutes

RESOLVED, that minutes of the March PTA Board meeting are approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.