PS 101Q's Parents' Association Inc. General Membership Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 17th, 2019, 8:10 AM

Attendance: Quorum was met as over 87 members were present

Nancy Llamas opened the meeting and welcomed everyone, noting the high number of parents in attendance.

I. Welcome guest speakers:

<u>Principal Paniaqua</u> highlighted new curriculum, including Elevate Science and Envisions Math. Also, she described new efforts to help students socially, including "Permission to feel" readings and our new Guidance Counselor, Cristina Youssef.

Assistant Principal, Edwin Rustrian is introduced and stated his excitement to start at PS101.

- II. Minutes from June meeting Approved
- III. Open board position Co parent engagement liaison
 - Statements from both candidates were read, Tamara Siddigi and Kristina Zeh.
 - Votes were taken and ballots counted.
 - Kristina Zeh is selected as the Co-parent engagement liaison.
- IV. **Powered by the PA**. Several programs from the PA were highlighted including:
 - Residencies and assemblies
 - After School Programs
 - Recess equipment, classroom rugs, and lots more
- V. Financial update. Suzanne Flannery and Valeria Vavassori-Chen described the current state of the PA's finances.
- VI. Pedestrian/Driving safety. JJ Rowe and Fadia Mohama described the PA's efforts to keep the area around school safe for pedestrians, highlighting the importance of driving and parking safely as well as the upcoming walk to school day.

- VII. Participatory budgeting ideas. Sarah Payne described the spring participatory budgeting process and the importance of attending and voting at the council meeting. Parents can contact Sarah or Fadia for more information.
- VIII. Call for volunteers. The need for and nature of volunteers in several aspects of PS101 were described, including:
 - Class parents
 - Head check
 - Recess volunteers
 - Monster math kickoff meeting on Thursday September 26th 8:10 a.m.
 - Picture day
- IX. Upcoming events. Several upcoming events were highlighted, including:
 - Class parent orientation, Tuesday September 24th after drop off
 - Meet the teacher night/reading fair, Tuesday September 24th 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
 - Picture day Thursday October 10th

Nancy Llamas thanked everyone for their participation. The next PA meeting will be on October 15th at 7 PM.

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