



**PS3 PTA Meeting Minutes**  
**October 18th, 2022 – 7.00pm**  
**Virtual**

Meeting ID: 873 5701 9420  
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**I. Introduction**

- Co-Presidents' welcome and call to order
- Agenda review and approval - approved at 7:05PM
- [September 2022 PTA meeting minutes](#) review and approval - Approved 7:07 pm

**II. Presenters**

- Principal Hillary Casado, followed by a brief Q&A
  - Good start to year
  - Halloween Parade coming up 10/31 after dropoff
  - Parent Teacher conferences coming up
  - School safety - currently down one agent, pulled to other school - working on this challenge
  - Parent asked about afterschool providers - Hillary updated that trying to increase choices for families. PS3-6, Greenwich House in-house in school. Greenwich house offering one-to-one tutoring; family-level programs. Partner with Beacon also (but it is offsite, at CityAs School) - have to apply through city; ask Christina Lowe if you want more info (it is free)

**III. Co-Treasurers' Report (Aparna Rao/Adam Masry)**

- [Profit and Loss over last 30 days](#) presented
- [Balance Sheet over last 30 days](#) presented
  - i. still not fully reconciled; working with accountant to reconcile

**IV. Fundraising Committee Report - Marie Zinn**

- Fundraising [Proposal](#) and discussion
  - PS3Fund Fall Fundraising proposal presented
  - Proposal to add line item to budget of \$3,000
  - Trying to raise \$260K by December 2022, that represents 60% of goal for the year, would try to raise 40% in spring
- Vote on above proposal taken by poll - Results: 97% yes (30 votes) yeses and 3% abstain (1 vote)
- Early pledges to [3Fund](#) - if you can offer a match, please notify fundraising committee: [fundraising@ps3nyc.org](mailto:fundraising@ps3nyc.org)



- Marathon fundraiser
  - Fewer bibs this year (fewer runners) but looking to community for support! [marathon@ps3nyc.org](mailto:marathon@ps3nyc.org) or [givebutter.com/PS3Marathon](https://givebutter.com/PS3Marathon); backpack flier coming soon
- [Benefit Bash Expenditure Proposal](#) (to be voted on at the November meeting)
  - \$15K expense, expect \$45K gross profit, \$30K gain
  - proposal is historical data - NOT OFFICIAL QUOTE - that will be presented in next meeting
- Fall Festival Expenditure Proposal (to be voted on at the November meeting)
  - Description of last year's event
  - Request for line item of \$4,000 expenses (food, decorations, supplies, van rental)
  - Date: November 19, 2022 (Saturday), 1-4PM
  - Vote to happen at November meeting.
  - Questions? Want to have a table?: Email [ptaevents@ps3nyc.org](mailto:ptaevents@ps3nyc.org)

**V. Parent Action Committee (Colleen - [pac@ps3nyc.org](mailto:pac@ps3nyc.org) )**

- [Participatory Budgeting](#) -- submitting a PB project for our school for the upcoming PB3 ballot
  - i. Using \$ from NYC to improve school building
  - ii. Explanation of participatory budgeting process
  - iii. Can propose an expenditure that would go on a ballot
  - iv. Poll to see if this year's community would want to try again for auditorium upgrade for \$350K to upgrade stage lighting and AV capabilities
  - v. Has to be for capital expenditures (can't be for salaries or programming)
  - vi. Poll results: 100% in favor with 24 voting
  - vii. Email [fundraising@ps3nyc.org](mailto:fundraising@ps3nyc.org) if questions
  - viii. Overview of PAC activity in past

**VI. Racial Justice and Equity Committee (Jasmine, Jackie & Tessa - [rje@ps3nyc.org](mailto:rje@ps3nyc.org) )**

- meeting schedule in calendar - once a month on Mondays
- Meetings on zoom
- PS3 - Parent Menu - log in to get member-facing RJE page with zoom link.
- Email [rje@ps3nyc.org](mailto:rje@ps3nyc.org) with questions
- First meeting is goal setting for year

**VII. Charrette Committee (Kelly, Sandeep & Jack - [charrette@ps3nyc.org](mailto:charrette@ps3nyc.org) )**

- Meeting with Hillary next week to go over Charrette notes, determine priorities for initiatives
- Will be gathering penny poll at upcoming events



- VIII. Friends of Families with IEP's - Diverse Learners Group (Shira & Ty - [iep@ps3nyc.org](mailto:iep@ps3nyc.org) )**
- meeting upcoming in calendar; school psychologist is special guest
- IX. Food, Grow, Play (Naima - [garden@ps3nyc.org](mailto:garden@ps3nyc.org) , David & Michele - [thelunchbunch@ps3nyc.org](mailto:thelunchbunch@ps3nyc.org) )**
- Overview of committee
  - WITS is back!
  - Next meeting is on the calendar (Oct 27, 7:30 on zoom)
- X. STEM (Aparna & Kelly - [stem@ps3nyc.org](mailto:stem@ps3nyc.org) )**
- Friday 7:30 meeting, contact Aparna for zoom link
  - Science Fair, assemblies
- XI. Arts Committee (John - [arts@ps3nyc.org](mailto:arts@ps3nyc.org) )**
- Nov 7 start day chorus
  - Art Park in February - volunteers will be needed!
  - reach out if you want to get involved!
- XII. Class Parent Committee (Jen, Kelly & Lacey - [cp@ps3nyc.org](mailto:cp@ps3nyc.org) )**
- still need CPs for a couple of classes
  - Meeting on calendar
- XIII. Sexual Wellness with Kate Greenberg budget proposal**
- Christina Lowe ([clowe@ps3charrettenyc.org](mailto:clowe@ps3charrettenyc.org) ) to present, this will be voted on at the November meeting
  - \$3600 covers 5 workshops for 5th grade in spring and 1 workshop for parents & caregivers for those families
- XIV. OTHER CHRISTINA UPDATES**
- Middle school panel - need volunteer parents for many middle schools, reach out to Christina if you are willing
  - tours for prospective families - need help leading them
  - [clowe@ps3charrettenyc.org](mailto:clowe@ps3charrettenyc.org)
- XV. Formation of an ad hoc "Payments" committee (Steven) - postponed til next meeting**
- XVI. Call for Volunteers - Picture Day (October 26 & 27 - fifth grade goes both days, other grades only October 26) & Halloween Parade**
- email [ptapresident@ps3nyc.org](mailto:ptapresident@ps3nyc.org) if you'd like to help out
- XVII. New Business?**



**XVIII. Adjournment - moved and voted to adjourn at 8pm.**