
P.S./I.S. 78Q PTA

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Meeting minutes

September 18, 2024 | 6:30pm | *Meeting called to order by K. Craig*

In Attendance

Attendees: 59 people including below

PTA Executive Board: K. Craig, E. Allen, R. Gunness, A. Shum, K. Kitsis, S. Chin

SLT: K. Craig, R. Gunness, H. Aleyasin

School Leadership: D. Rombone, J. DiRoma, E. Montalvo

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by K. Craig.

Introduction of PTA Board

K. Craig, R. Gunness, E. Allen, K. Kitsis, A. Shum, S. Chin

PTA 2024 - 2025 Proposed Budget and Vote

The PTA budget for the 2024 - 2025 school year was proposed and approved.

PTA 2024 - 2025 Proposed Events and Vote

The PTA events for the 2024 - 2025 school year were proposed and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Revenue and Expenses to date were presented. See slides for more details.

Upcoming PTA Events

October

- Kindergarten Meet and Greet - October 10
- Fall Gala - October 16
- "Table-Or-Treat" Halloween Party

November

- Picture Day - November 19
- Turkey Trot

Fall Gala and Silent Auction

The annual P.S./I.S. 78Q Fall Gala and Silent Auction will be held on October 16, 2024 at American Brass Restaurant. DJ, Dinner and Drinks and our annual Silent Auction. Visit the auction website for a preview of auction items and to purchase tickets. Early bird ticket pricing ends Friday September 20, 2024. 78GALA24.GIVESMART.COM

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Kindergarten Meet & Greet

Save the date for our annual Kindergarten Meet & Greet on October 10, 2024. Details to follow.

Table or Treat

Join us for our 2nd Annual Table or Treat Halloween event. Details to follow.

Class Parents Needed

Class parents are still needed for PK001 and 403. Contact rebecca@psis78pta.org to sign up.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for help with the Gala Committee, Graphic Design/ Social Media, P.S./I.S. 78Q merch design. Contact katrina@psis78pta.org to sign up.

P.S./I.S. 78Q School Garden

Thank you to our school garden summer volunteers.

Online Spirit Store

P.S./I.S. 78Q virtual merchandise storefront is live. P.S./I.S. 78Q PTA will receive 15% of all profits from purchases. All items are shipped directly to your home.

Important School Dates

Thursday October 3rd and Friday October 4th - Rosh Hashanah - schools closed.
Monday, October 14th - Italian Heritage / Indigenous Peoples' Day - schools closed.

PTA Meeting Dates 2024-2025

All meetings will take place at 6:30pm via Zoom. You will be notified if there is a change to in-person meetings.

September 18, 2024

October 9, 2024

November 13, 2024

December 11, 2024

January 8, 2025

February 12, 2025

March 12, 2025

April 9, 2025

May 14, 2025

June 11, 2025

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2024-2025 School Year P.S./I.S. 78Q Parent Community Directory

Please Fill out your information to help facilitate classroom parent communications and newsletters.

You can complete the form online at <https://bit.ly/PSIS78parentdirectory>.

Ways to Contribute and Support

Support while you shop. Save 20% off when ordering your Holiday cards by using the code FUNDRAISEPSIS78Q at Minted.com. Use the FLIPGIVE app to save and raise money for school while you shop.

Principals Report

Ms. Rombone, Interim Acting Principal, made a welcome speech. She stated that the school has over 100 new students and welcomed all of the new families. She thanked Mr. Pavone for his leadership through the years. Ms. Rombone thanked Assistant Principal Ms. DiRoma, Parent Coordinator Ms. Montalvo, all the teachers, staff, students and families for their support and for a great start to the school year. She welcomed the new teachers to the school and explained which teachers changed roles this school year.

Ms. Rombone congratulated the school on the state test scores and broke down the percentages by grade. Overall in grades 3-8 P.S./I.S. 78Q ranked 81% ELA & Math. Grades 5 and 8 took computer based assessments for the first time.

P.S./I.S. 78Q is following the District 30 Goals. All Students will learn to read well. All students will be physically and emotionally safe. All Students will be kind to each other. All students will have access to high quality programs and enrichment. There is also a focus on improving absenteeism.

Ms. Rombone spoke about all of the exciting programs to come this school year. The Renzulli program, South Street Seaport Sailing Program, Studio in a School, 7th/ 8th Grade Future Teachers Club, 5th - 8th Grade Band, daily recess, movement breaks, the school musical and student council, amongst others. She also spoke about the Move to Improve program, Go Noodle and other opportunities for movement with the students throughout the school day, including gym three times a week in the lower grades.

Ms. Rombone highlighted that the school administration is here for the students and families, that people should reach out to teachers and administration with any questions or comments.

SLT Report

H. Aleyasin gave a report of the SLT (School Leadership Team) Meeting that took place on Friday September 13th. At the meeting the scaffold at the ECC building was

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discussed, to ensure movement and fresh air for the students, active recess in the multipurpose room and gym are being focussed on. The Renzulli platform is being reinstated. The schools state test results were highlighted and the CEP (Comprehensive Education Plan) was discussed, reading, math, college and career preparedness as well as parent and family involvement were discussed. The school will be having an instagram account. This year all state tests will be computer based and there will be a focus on readiness for this transition.

Questions and Comments

A question was asked about the timeline and process of selecting a new principal. The C30 process used by the DOE was explained. It was also discussed that the school has not been notified of a date yet for the interview process.

CEC President Introduction

Whitney Toussaint introduced herself and spoke about the principal selection process. She also announced that the next CEC (Community Education Council) meeting will be held on October 7th. It will be a hybrid meeting both in person and on zoom. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm by K. Craig.