

Minutes of the P.S. 204 PTA Meeting

Thursday, October 12, 2023 @6:00 P.M. via Zoom

Priscilla Tan (President)

Debra Thompson (Vice President)

Becky Wang (Treasurer)

Emily Chan (Financial Secretary)

Linda Lam (Recording Secretary)

Bonny Tan (Corresponding Secretary)

Roseann Sainato (Principal)

42 attendees in total

- I. New PTA Minutes
 - A. President Updates
 - 1. PTA Board member reintroduction and the reading of the oath by Debra Thompson, Vice President
 - 2. Middle School Application meeting will be held directly after this PTA meeting
 - B. Principal Updates
 - 1. 5th grade electives should be launching next week.
 - a) Electives are based on superintendent expectation and chancellor's initiative including technology, S.T.E.A.M, theater and play writing, cooking and nutrition class, chess, fashion design, and media in art. At this point, not much interest in the winter chorus so that will not be returning unless something changes.





- b) Aim to have 5th graders receive their top 3 choices. After February break, the electives will be switched to another top choice to balance the electives.
- 2. Assessments
 - a) Looking at the data collected from I-Ready and Acadience assessments to start small group instructions.
 - b) Inter reading criteria for the writing component will be to input the writing piece online. Students can make a draft on paper and then type it in.
 - c) Report of the assessment will be on Teachhub. Letters will be sent out with step by step instructions on how to access scores.
 - d) October 25th at 6pm- I-Ready consultant parent workshop to explain how it is read. Parent reports will be sent out before this date.
- 3. Dial A Teacher
 - a) Additional homework help, a notice will be sent out to with more information
- C. Upcoming Events October
 - 1. Flamin-Ghouls will start taking flight this week based on weather.
 - 2. All extra forms such as for Boo-Gram, Flamin-Ghouls, membership etc will be on a table next to the security desk if anyone needs extra.
 - 3. Halloween Family Movie Night will be on October 27th, 5pm to 7pm. Students can wear costumes or comfy pajamas to watch the movie in the school auditorium. Popsicles and popcorn will be given out. More information to follow.
 - 4. Fall walk/March of Dimes walk is still in the planning phase but it will be done either in the playroom or the gym. Students will receive a little gift from the PTA
 - 5. 5th grade Halloween dance in gym with more information to follow next week
 - 6. Aiming to have an academic piece added onto future PTA meetings based on parent surveys.





- 7. Birthday grams are due by the first of the birthday month. If a birthday gram was purchased and your child did not come with one, please email the PTA, @ps204pta@gmail.com, so that it can be corrected.
- 8. Boo grams are due by October 20th. This year, Boo grams are Hershey chocolate bars or rice krispy treats which can be sent to friends and teachers.
- 9. Spiritwear should be ready by next week, waiting on the supplier for updates.
- 10. School Store sign up comes with a free gift. A small percentage of purchases made through the school store will benefit the PTA and teachers which can be used to purchase classroom supplies.
- 11. People who are interested in volunteering for PTA events such as snacksale can send an email to the PTA.
- 12. Title I elections will take place October 20th at 4pm. Registration will be required to attend the meeting. Interested applicants can email the PTA and complete a form.
- D. Treasurer's Report

September 2023

- Opening balance-\$10, 080.30
- Total Income-\$8,532.21
- Total Expenses-\$2,097.80
- Closing balance-\$16,514.71
- Approved by Bonny Tan and Priscilla Tan
- II. Consideration of Open issues
 - 1. Can the Fall walk go around the block? Ms Sainato said that is still a possibility and final decision will be based on weather
 - Can assessments not be done during gym time? Ms Bonomolo said if it was a covering prep teacher for diagnostics that may have been the case. Regular scheduled assessments do not interfere with gym.
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. September 2023 PTA minutes were shared





- IV. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting
 - 1. The next meeting will be held on Zoom on November 9, 2023 at 6:00 PM
 - 2. The minutes were adjourned by Priscilla Tan at 6:42 PM

