

EWSIS PTA General Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2017 10:00 AM

Call to Order: 10:10 am **In Attendance:** Cora Wong, Sharlene Tillett, Karen Curzio

President's Report

President Sharlene Tillett welcomed all parents and faculty for joining us at the PTA meeting. We are joined by a Spanish Translator as well as Chinese. Two drives for the holidays - coat/Toy Drive for Urban Women's Retreat. Please bring in presents for children 0-14 yrs old.

Last year the Fresh Air Fund hosted 30 of our students - home and away. Free summer camp for those who qualify.

PTA is supplying breakfast for Professional Development Day for teachers on Tuesday, Nov. 7th. Lunch Sale will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 8th from 9:20 am to -12 pm. Volunteers are needed for both events.

Yankee Candle Fundraising will finish on November 10th.

Treasurer's Report

The Financial Report ending November 3, 2017 was presented by Cora Wong with an ending balance of \$5000.50.

Membership is up to \$1,770 and has about 50 families participating. We have a membership incentive raffle this month for a \$100 gift certificate for B&H and drawing will be held on the next PTA Meeting on December 2nd. And a facial

Fundraising report included in packet.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from October's PTA meeting were presented by Karen Curzio and approved by Maggie Torres and Jennifer Reich.

Look for us on Facebook at EWSISPTA and please sign up for newsletter.

Fresh Air Fund speaker

Erin Lin introduces summer program for free for those who eligible - 3 requirements - NYC resident, ages girls 7-12 and boys ages 7-15. Food stamps and assistance are eligible. Kids are matched with families. Activities include: (Friendly Towns Program) (1 week or more) Camping, farming, museums, etc., (Camp Sleepaway) (Fishkill NY) 10-12 days serves 3,000 kids. Career awareness 6th graders for ages 11-12.

Applications available. First come first serve. Brochures given out to attendees.

Principal's' Report

Mr. Cromer welcomed all. Parent involvement improves student performance. Parent Teacher Conference this week - please meet with teachers from Thursday 4:30 to 7:30 pm or Friday 12:15 to 2:15 pm

Thanked volunteers and PTA.

Parent Teacher Coordinator

Ms Schnall-Torres thanked everyone for coming - celebrate your children. Pillars of excellence. Parent teacher conferences. Ideal will be here. ½ day on Friday 2:15 pm. EW zippered hoodies are now available. 2 colors for JHS & HS Black hoodies will be out next year - only Blue will be acceptable after that.

Awards given by Mr. Cromer.

Title 1

Explanation of funding and usage of the funds (i.e. tutoring). Explained vote for Parent Title 1 PTA vote. Workshops - etc. Please vote. Votes were cast.

Maggie Torres counted ballots and results were 2 Votes for PAC and 29 for PTA.

URBAN Resource Institute

Thank you for past support. Helps domestic violence victims. Only emergency shelter that takes pets. Participants stay for 6 mos. We are collecting for newborn-teens who are family. Chinese Planning Council also helps for immigrant population.

Approvals

PD day - \$100 for lunch approved unanimously

Raffle

Thank you again for another facial donated by Josefina Givelechian.

Congratulations to our parent Mr. German Diaz for the Turkey Raffle.

New Business

Interest in EW branded pens - no one interested

Parent suggested about selling Phone wallet look up

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 am

37 parents and teachers were in attendance, Next meeting December 2, 2017 at 10am, See you all at our next PTA meeting.