

P.S. 175 Parents Association Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2017 at 7:05 pm

Officers Present: Darryl Chu (PA President) Alex Ribiev (PA Co-President), Beatrice Grosu (Co-Vice President), Lana Eliyahu (PA Treasurer), Daniella Lednicer (PA Corresponding/Recording Secretary)

• SLT

Safety Issue: Parents double-parking, causing traffic safety issues/violations when arriving late to school for drop off
Some parents drop off their children in front of the school without bringing child to Main Office to sign them in; no way to tell if child got to class safely or if they were marked as absent

Parents encouraged to attend School Safety meeting on January 24

Parents encouraged to call 311 and local Precinct 112 to alert them of safety and noise issues/violations

Parents encouraged to call Department of Transportation and have them place "no honking" signs along 65th Street

Possible solutions:

Can students enter through the side entrance on 64th Avenue, or through the back door (facing the school yard)? (No -- only one door can be used for drop off for security reasons)

Can a staff member be outside to take in late arrivals? (No, there is no one available/qualified to do this)

Can 65th Street (the cafeteria entrance) between 102nd Avenue and Yellowstone Boulevard be designated a no-parking zone between the hours of 7:30-8:30 am? (No, because of that street's status as an ambulance route)

• Fundraising Events

Read-A-Thon Starts 1/20; participants donate a certain amount of money for each book a student reads; lasts about 2 weeks

Movie Night on 1/29; movie and theme is Zootopia

International Food Festival on 4/23; calls for volunteers will go out in February

Donors Choose page for "Cross Fit" program for students

Suggestion: "Smart cards" are discount debit cards that can be used as a fundraising tool for the school

• Principal's Report

PS 175Q received a grant from Representative Karen Koslowitz for improvements/repairs to the auditorium; school security cameras and other improved technology have also been requested, but not yet confirmed

PS 175Q was selected for air conditioning grant in the last Participatory Budget vote; school needs an electrical upgrade -- haven't received it yet but we're "on their radar"

Parents encouraged to contact 112th Precinct to ask people to please refrain from loitering in the playground during school hours (and preferably after ours)

Meeting Adjourned 8:05 p.m.