

EVANS PARK PTA
“Together We Can”
March 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm
Meeting Agenda

Formal:

- Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Welcome by Laura Woodward
- January meeting notes approved by Denise Anselmi and Nicole Leahy

Old Business:

- Harlem Wizards Event:
 - Financially successful night
 - A lot of great feedback
 - Many requests to run event next year – possibility of not partnering with other schools
 - Thank you to all the volunteers
- PARP:
 - Robot themes continues
 - Many students submitted reading logs and both activities
 - Audio files were helpful, sometimes a day behind; students loved hearing their teachers read
 - Parent play on Pearl River’s YouTube link - thank you to Mr. Price for writing, directing, producing
 - Many wonderful volunteers – thank you!
- Book Fair and Family Night:
 - Entertainment cost \$350 – do we want/need next year?
 - Parents like activities and entertainment, makes it feel like a night out
 - Earned \$44 loose change, \$150 raffles, teacher tea cost \$150
 - Thank you Jessica Bocchino for chairing
- Valentine’s Day Celebrations:
 - Cards exchanged in classrooms
 - Parents like the low key tone of event
- Girls & her Special Guy Dance:
 - 40 girls and their dates attended – everyone had a great time, most dads danced
 - Elegant Balloons provided balloons – being repurposed for middle school dance
 - Catered by Luigi O’Grady’s – thank you Michelle Worub
 - Candy bar was a big hit – thank you Alexis Flaherty
 - Need a chair for next year
 - Thank you Holly Gallet and Allison Carey for chairing

New Business:

- Family Bingo Night – Thursday, March 15th
 - Volunteers still needed
 - Bring crayons to mark cards

- Pride & Spirit Day – Friday, March 16th, students dress in green
 - Everyone's class color is green!
 - Upcoming Pride & Spirit Days –
 - April 25 – the Secret World of Robots assembly
 - May 22 – Field Day
 - June 1 – production of *Charlotte's Web*
- Incoming Kindergarten Registration/Screening – March 14th and 15th
 - Last week's screenings were cancelled due to weather
 - Enrollment is down this year – 109 appointments to date
- Special Guy/Father & Girl Craft – March 23rd, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
 - New event – thank you Matt & Kim Smith for chairing
 - Flyers were sent home
 - Girls leave with a King Kone gift card
- Spring Celebrations – March 28th
 - Anyone providing food needs to submit form to nurse
- Spring recess begins March 30th, ends April 9
- Boys Night at Vision Fitness – April 13th (date change)
 - \$20 per person – includes photo, pizza for boys, wraps for ladies, and a take away gift

School Board Meeting Report:

- Two student presentations – songs from show and Robotics club. Students demonstrated how their robot can stack cups and walk.
- Budget presentation – added a library media specialist for each elementary school, full time social worker to be shared, .5 speech pathologists, clerical support for the athletic office, and full time SRO

PAC Meeting Report:

- 2018-19 calendar was discussed – first day September 5, last day end of June

Principals Report: Ms. Lynch –

- Students have settled down after snow days and delays
- Classes constructed robots – displayed in each classroom; students explained and described their robots to visiting students; nice way to move students throughout building and have different grades interact
- State testing begins after Spring Break – 2 days, 1 hour per day; teachers prepare students with example questions
- Surprise literacy project being announced soon!
- Flex periods continue to improve
- ELA 90 minute block is going well; extra time is used efficiently and a lot is accomplished
- Field Trip destinations have been decided and flyers will be going home soon

Treasurers Report: Andrea Wooster –

- Shutter Fly earned \$577 and continues to earn with each order
- Harlem Wizard Event earned \$8700

- Supplies for Makers Space cost \$100
- We donated \$100 to Déjà Vu Senior Citizen Prom
- Author visit cost \$1000
- Book Fair earned \$1600
- Tee shirts for 4th grade students cost \$750
- Latest Box Tops check was \$300

Open Forum-Questions-Comments

- Will foreign language classes be offered in the elementary schools? It was suggested to parent to email Mr. Pochintesta
- Wild Robot sequel (*The Wild Robot Escapes*) was released Tuesday, March 13
- Square 1 Art packets were sent home; all orders, including online orders, are due Friday, March 23. Orders with personalization must be submitted online. Thank you Kristi Thompson.

Meeting adjourned by Ms. Lynch and Alexis Flaherty

Next PTA Meeting April 11, 2018 at 9:30 am