



PS10 PTA General Meeting Minutes // May 20, 2021

7:00 pm Meeting Called to Order by Jenn / Seconded by Julie

- [Minutes from April 22nd General Membership Meeting](#) approved
- Principal's Report: Laura Scott
 - Thanks for all you do to support us, particularly the PTA with the fund they've set aside for the cameras, and what we need to get us through this year.
 - Thanks also for the gift cards to the teachers for Teacher Appreciation Day
 - Cafeteria renovations are underway, kids have made their decisions: water fillers, large monitors so the kids can see what's going on in the auditorium. Kids asked for circular tables as well so they can communicate with friends better. Soundproofing will be done as well. Parents want more sinks for handwashing so we will approach. The School Construction Authority to get that going as well. We have gang bathrooms, which has been working but more sinks in the cafeteria would be helpful so we'll look into it.
 - Major renovations this summer, \$10M grant, new windows, doors, etc.
 - Kinder registration is underway - go onto MySchools if you haven't gotten the info you need. Danny DePaz and Maddie Seide can answer any questions you may have.
 - 5-day transition went extremely well. As a result of all our work, parents came together to make it happen as well, we went from 230 to 570 in person students and added another 50 students from remote learning. Everyone is doing quite well. Can't thank the parents enough for being the backbone, helping us make this happen. The ideas & suggestions you gave were put into place, we were able to continue with a recreation recess time that is still 50 min in addition to a regular lunch. Kids are eating lunch with their classes all over, like picnic tables and cafeteria tables so the kids can eat outdoors.

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We also put tables around the building & gym, use the auditorium when need arises so kids can be distanced and make sure they stay safe.

- Covid surveillance has been going on weekly, so far no cases identified so we are happy with that. Parents have been transparent, whenever there's an issue they contact the administration so that's another reason we haven't had cases that affect us as a school community. Everything is going well. Teachers are doing social emotional work, librarians are doing live presentations on the smartboard. OWL cameras made the cluster classes better, as it projects the child who's speaking images onto the smartboard, that's been helpful. We have 2 per grade but PtA is trying to help purchase more so we can have 1 for every other classroom.
- 5th graders have lunch release every day, they go to Detective Mayrose park and get to have lunch, and we hide to make sure they are doing the right thing, they go as far as 14th street to get food, even ordering the night before and picking it up the day of.
- Some challenges: cleaning outside tables in the morning, APs are going and doing it themselves. We have 1 - 2 parents but need more. The Extended Day crew also helps with this at recess.
- Program called Summer Rising - for mandated & non-mandated students, academic piece from 8 am - 12 pm then sports & arts done by a CBO from 12 - 6 pm. PS295 didn't have enough staff to supervise, so now we are using the PS 124 site, which PS 321, 118 and 295 will also be using. Families who want to have their kids use this, it's Mon - Fri you can go online to enroll. Families have to participate in the academic piece as well as the other. They have to attend in person. Breakfast, lunch & snack served. Busing for mandated students and has to be on the bus at 3:30 pm.
- 5th Grade Graduation: Gary Nusser
 - Looking at graduation - we could do a virtual ceremony but of the 60 plus respondents 96% want to do an in-person ceremony. Using the OWL cameras, we can offer a virtual experience as well as in-person. It will be on the 18th at 9:30 am. We will look at breaking down sessions to adhere to social distancing. We have to keep 3 feet distance outside, we will use the schoolyard, 17th street & maybe Mayrose Park as an option to have a ceremony, then afterwards a celebration. Working with our parents to figure out synchronized dance moves for

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the kids to do. More information will be coming out next week. It'll be really special for these kids. We can't do much beyond walking trips but want to make sure the kids have a lot of fun.

- Anita Skop visited with us virtually and was thrilled with her visit, OWL cameras made it possible for her to see the kids at work, she thought it was outstanding. Parents also shared some initiatives that have supported us through the pandemic, and thought our school did a great job. Thanks for making this pandemic bearable and doable.

- Upcoming Events

- Title 1 Presents: Children's Theatre Company Performance on Saturday, May 22nd at 10:00 am - [click here to RSVP](#)
- End of Year Party (Nattallie Schiavo) on Thursday, June 24th from 2 pm - 6 pm: [Donate here!](#) - We will be doing a fairly large event, getting a permit but are hopeful we can use Prospect Ave and the schoolyard. We are trying to do 2 parties in 1, schoolyard and prospect ave will be duplicated. We'll do timed tickets, the same things will be on prospect ave so no one is missing out. We will have 2 inflatable slides, etc. We will have timed tickets, so look out for that. We'll have crafts, a photo booth, cornhole games, food trucks, etc. We'll also have some snacks for sale. Next week we'll send a link for volunteers to help run this event. We will also release timed tickets soon.
- School Photos (Kelli Hardiman)
- [New PS10 Merch Designs](#) & Meet & Greet June 4th (Felicia DeVita) -
 - New shirts for Father's Day, fun "trucker" style hats for kids and parents, new striped & tie-dyed tees for kids.
 - On June 4th We'll be selling our new merchandise, and you can meet us at drop-off & pick-up.
- [Brooklyn Cyclones Game](#): June 12 (Felicia DeVita) - 4 tickets left! We are in contact with them as the Covid guidelines change as to how many people can be in the stadium, we hope more will be \$3 goes back to the PTA for every ticket sold.

- 2021 - 2022 Election for PTA Executive Board, Title 1 Representatives & School Leadership Team

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- All present provided their name and child's name and class to confirm they are part of the PS10 community.
- Election was uncontested and all voted to accept the slate.
- Treasurers' Report
 - 2021-2022 Draft Budget [Presentation](#) & [Spreadsheet](#) - Final will be voted on in our June meeting, last meeting of the year.
 - May Budget Report [Presentation](#) & [Spreadsheet](#)
- Extended Day Report
 - Introducing our new Executive Director Lauren Goodrich - Lauren is an alumnus PS10 parent, she has run 2 other PTA after-school programs in D15, we are excited to have her join our team and push forward all of our new initiatives. She expressed how she's glad to be back at PS10, and excited to make the program even more fabulous.
 - Please join the Extended Day Committee by emailing ed.chair@pta.ps10.org or join the Extended Day committee on Konstella.
 - Language Intensive program: will be sending out a survey to gauge interest and ask what would be the preferred language. Will do information gathering.
- Community Q & A - No questions
- 8:12 pm: Jenn made motion to adjourn the meeting; Julie seconded.