**PTA Meeting Minutes: Friday, February 5, 2020**

**PTA Members Attendance:** Lily Tang, Alejandra Mendoza, Debra Means-West

**AGENDA:**

***Call to Order****: Lily T.*

*Meeting Place: virtual via Zoom*

*Meeting Called to Order: 8:50 am*

*Minutes Accepted: Alejandra Mendoza and Debra Means*

***President’s Report:***

School Picture Day: 03/10 – 03/ 12
Note: remote learners can have pictures taken after 1:50pm dismissal, no group pictures will be taken
No masks in photos yet, safety protocols will be in place
Link to register for pictures:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHTgmOeMJERQT5V47zBXg1Qoi8WTaNZwJ_qoEZ5kMUGxISVg/viewform>

PTA dues update provided and reminder that Cheddar Up is still open and accepting dues. [P.S. 176 The Ovington School - 2020-2021 PTA Membership Drive (cheddarup.com)](https://my.cheddarup.com/c/p-s-176-the-ovington-school-pta-membership-drive)

Scholastic Virtual Book Fair: total sales $1000. Reminder: the school continues to earn 2% throughout the school year <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=ps176ovingtonschool1>

Bag Bingo Fundraiser Update – tonight’s event 6-10pm, has over 40 tickets sold

Reminder: School closed next Friday March 12th - March 19th

Family lunches grab and go at PS 176 and 3pm-5pm at [[Christa McAuliffe Intermediate School 187](http://www.is187nyc.com/)](http://www.is187nyc.com/)

***Treasury Report***

Fundraising update provided: $50K

Interim financial report also shared per need to submit

Meeting voted on approval to use PTA funds to purchase PS 176 a new snow blower – membership approval needed, estimate cost approx. ~2k

* MOTION APPROVED to purchase snowblower $2000: All in favor, no objections.

***Presidents Report***
1.) Today begins NYC DOE Respect for All Week – Ms. Culkin advised that the school is getting ready for this event. Teaching kids to sprinkle kindness (students are being taught this) : virtual assembly is being organized today, door design contest being organized – encouraging kids to step up and shows acts of kindness [Respect for All - Fostering Anti-Bullying Practices (nyc.gov)](https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/school-environment/respect-for-all)

2.) PS 176 selected to pilot program: INTEL – Skills for Innovation – 5 grade classes selected. Driven by our focus on Vision and Mission, this program supports our intents for meeting 21st century learning for students. Began with an ICT (special ed class) [Intel® Education: Empowering the Next Generation of Innovators](https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/education/intel-education.html#:~:text=The%20Intel%C2%AE%20Skills%20for%20Innovation%20(Intel%C2%AE%20SFI)%20framework,imagine,%20and%20create%20the%20jobs%20of%20the%20future.) also a 4-5 grade Bridge class (exploring how to encourage and explore kids abilities to learn) . PS 176 was 1 of 5 schools selected for this pilot program. Ms Culkin encouraged parents to have students in 4th and 5th grade to participate.

3.) Goals project – national geographic teaching fellow (she travels nationally via Zoom) Kerry Hynes.

Different goals in a global community (equity & access\_ climate, poverty) launched in Zoom

4.) Inside Broadway - This will be provided virtually for select students in 4-5 grades.

5.) Lunch with Broadway is starting next week: Grades 2-3 will participate.

***Parent Coordinator – Ms. Francisco:***

Middle School applications 5 days away – reminder applications close 02/09 [NYC MySchools](https://www.myschools.nyc/en/)

02/26 workshops for anger management workshop – registrations open today. Check Class Dojo for updates and to register. Translations will be available (Spanish, English, Mandarian)

***Adjournment: 9:15am
Next Meeting: March 5th at 8:45am***

***Visit our School website: www.ps176.org for more information and calendar of events***

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