# PS24 PA Meeting Minutes October 24, 2018

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:12 – R. Heisler

# Review of September Minutes

* + Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes: Claudia
  + Seconded/Approved: N. Levinson

# Review of Financials – M. Montoya-Goldman

* + Overall review of financial statement
  + Expenses include Boo Bash equipment, Fall Classic t-shirts, Weed wacker for school garden, New PA checks
  + Direct Appeal was successful and PA still has extra money as a result of many events and fundraisers.

# Principal’s Report – S. Schwartz

* + Celebration days launching now. Plan is to continue this monthly. First one is this Friday beginning with Coffee with Principal, then revealing new library/media center followed by student council debate. Looking at a full day of celebrations.
  + Surveys are ongoing. Overall results reveal support for EIM and other enrichment programs, Parent time preferences for events are early or late, Parents want weekly communication from teachers, Structured play during recess and overall the community wants to address large class size.
  + Parents voicing concern that we need better communication about the survey opportunity (some did not know about it)
  + New Enrichment classroom to be launched next year.
  + Grant to start morning sports program. Mr. Dugan will run this program which will first be available to 4th and 5th graders, then lower grades.
  + The school is bringing in a consultant (with extra grant money) to address social emotional program development. Consulting hours include 5 days of professional learning used for program development and support for teachers.

# Math Presentation – Ms. Paredes, Ms. Reidy, Mr. Kelly

* + Georgia Math Program Overview
    - Overview of the program philosophy
    - Aligned to common core standards
    - Program includes different types of tasks within each math block – Scaffolding,

Constructing, Practice, Culminating, Formative Assessment, Act Task

* + The outline of K-5 units of study were presented
  + Overview of K – 2 Math Block and Task Sample:
    - Flow of the lesson K - 2 (90 minute block)
    - Fluency/Game
    - Number talk
    - Mini Lesson
    - Shared Modeling
    - Independent/Group Task
    - Share Out/Assessment
    - Math centers/games
  + Overview of 3 -5 Math Block and Task Sample
    - Major difference is timing (100 minute block)
    - Same components as K-2
  + Full presentation available on PS24 website and will be emailed out to meeting attendees
  + Teachers suggested additional resources that can help to provide additional support – Khan Academy, Learn Zillion
  + Parents suggested to have a Math Curriculum Session Part 2 at a PA meeting so they can see an actual lesson

# SLT Report – M. Montoya-Goldman

* + CEP established and includes 5 goals that are addressed on an ongoing basis
  + SLT also address parent issues - parents can share their concerns with SLT members
  + Surveys are very important and highlight issues that we need to address
  + Trust is an overall initiative that is being worked on. Trust is a problem in our school and the trust factor is low in our school community (80%).
  + Michelle sending link to QR results

# Committee Reports

* + **Publications: Eileen Bowden**
    - Need content and pictures for Sounding Board. Pictures from events and trips are great. First issue is being worked on now. Need everything in by December. There will be one fall/winter issue and one spring issue this year.

# Fundraising: Cristin Messinger

* + - Need Volunteers for Boo Bash
    - Committee will be decorating all day on Saturday
    - Need Baked Ziti
    - Pre order tickets need to be sorted and sent home
    - Send in box tops by Monday

# After School: Sharla Bryan Colbert

* + - After school committee is holding a meeting for parents who have kids in the Kids Space program to brainstorm about the program and voice opinions and concerns to committee members

# Grant Committee

* + - One committee member is currently involved in wellness through their work and is connecting with Jenny Weber to work on application for a sustainability grant.

# Garden Committee

* + - The Y is looking for a new garden teacher. Laura Moukas is still handling maintenance of garden which was decorated for Halloween, but we are looking for a new committee head

# Other

* + Parent Q: Any update on the accelerated class? No new information except that it will start next year.
  + Gridiron Football game scheduled for Nov 9. 4th and 5th graders can sign up to play.

# Meeting Adjourned – 8:34