

751M PTA

Meeting September 12, 2019

Attendance:

Marjorie Dienstag, Co-President
Jordana Mendelson, Recording Secretary
Kaitlyn Stillwagon, Teacher
Melody Tuck, Teacher
Aileen Batista, Parent
Lashana (Nicole) Ramey, Parent

Minutes recorded by: Jordana Mendelson

1. Sign in

2. Co-President Marjorie Dienstag called the meeting to order at 1pm and introduced board members present. Teachers and parents present also introduced themselves. We are thrilled to have two parents who are new to the middle school join the PTA and excited for their participation and contributions. All present expressed desire to bring more parents into the meetings.

3. Presentation of By-Laws and recommended edits by members present. Corrections recorded by secretary and By-Laws edited.

4. Vote on By-Laws. Members present voted to pass the By-Laws. The By-Laws were approved and will be posted to the 751M web site.

5. New Business: PTA Next steps were discussed

Co-President and Treasurer will set up bank account for PTA.

Discussion about fundraising and community raising events were discussed.

Co-President Dienstag agreed to explore setting up an Amazon Smile account for fundraising for the PTA as well as explore other avenues for community support in the neighborhood and among the community groups and representatives in the District.

We also discussed site-specific programs – to try to develop workshops and meetings that are relevant to our different school sites and parents, as well as those events that could bring Middle School and High School students and parents together.

Members also expressed interest in reaching out to 75 Morton Street PTA – to consider co-sponsoring school-wide events, or partnering for other initiatives, including fundraising.

Many ideas were discussed and the members decided that the next meeting will be devoted to discussing and approving community building events, ideas for involving the students, and "Meet the PTA" events.

Included in the PTA's next steps will be:

1. Workshop on Parent/Student Supports: "What Services are you Getting?"
2. Workshop on Body Awareness and Sexuality (one at the middle school, one at the high school)
3. School T-shirts: to give out or to sell inexpensively to students and family members (possibility of a student design content for logo/school shirt design)
4. Survey the students about their interests, events, things to share with parents (Teachers will spear head this – ways to involve students and teachers in PTA planning)

6. Meeting adjourned at 2pm.

7. The next PTA executive committee and general meeting will take place at 1pm, October 3, at 75 Morton Street.