PPAS PTA Meeting Minutes 12/14/17

Meeting called to order at 6:38pm by Ramona Fluker.

Terri Cadet-Donald offered to take minutes.

1st – Ramona Fluker

2nd – Alyssa Silverberg

Approved with one abstention - Terri Cadet-Donald abstained.

Minutes from 11/16/17 read by Fiona Phoenix and approved by all in attendance.

Principal's Report

Discussion on the incident at Port Authority on 12/11/17. School held a shelter-in, only students and staff allowed to enter the building. Attendance was a priority to assess the students in the building. Students and staff were stuck on the trains. School messenger was sent out. Email was delayed as all communication must go through DOE legal. Lock down drill was done today as practice. Order from NYPD to lift the shelter in came around 11:30am. No students were marked late.

Q - School wad called and there was no answer.

A – Phone system might have been clogged. It should have been picked up by the voicemail system

Drama Report

During rehearsal, there was a lot of construction noise. The 10th grade drama class has 30 students. There will be two drama productions, three shows each in February. Marketing is a concern. Market them together and offer a discount for both shows.

Vocal Report

Performance was last Friday and it was phenomenal. \$1407- raised. \$100- spent on flowers for the teachers.

Fundraising Report

ACF Deposits. \$25- being asked per month, per family. Donate whatever you can. Letter was sent home to each family. Treasurer is not in so an accurate accounting is not available.

Dance Report

Levels C & D will perform on January 10th and 11th at Ailey. \$20- adults, \$10-students.

Treasurers Report

Tabled until next month. Budget will be on the website in two weeks.

Misc Items

MS Musical, Into the Woods, will run through Saturday, 12/16/17. Holiday concert on 12/19/17.

SLT report given by Terri Cadet-Donald. Nominations for the open parent position opened.

Concern addressed regarding Ms. Pourghasemi. She is working with 130 students with one intern. Last year it was 105 students with five interns. It was asked of the SLT to give \$1000- to the school for the extra, unpaid hours being put in by Ms. Pourghasemi.

1st – Alyssa Silverberg

2nd – Ralph Prete

All in favor – motion approved

Gala Committee needed. We need to start working on the space, donations, etc.

1st – Terri Cadet-Donald

2nd – Andrew Jackal

All in favor – motion approved

Fiscal year runs from July 1st through June 30th. 2016-2017 taxes need to be filed. \$2000- line item needed in the budget. Letter to be sent out for a parent volunteer and if no replies within two weeks, the funds will be used to hire someone.

1st – Alyssa Silverberg

2nd - Margaret Wallace

All in favor – motion approved

Teacher request from Joe D'Amico

Can the PTA help form an exploratory committee (parents and teachers) to explore teacher access to You Tube, Netflix and other social media sites?

1st – Joe D'Amico

2nd - Andrew Jackal

All in favor – motion approved

Meeting closed at 7:18pm