



PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

P.S. 56 The Lewis H. Latimer School

“A Community of Learners, A Community of Leaders”

Eric Grande, Principal
Tina Fleming, P.T.A. President
Shaila Dewan, P.T.A. Vice-President
Aja Stephens, P.T.A. Secretary
Joseph Lewis, P.T.A. Treasurer
Melissa Forrest, Historian

P.T.A. MEETING

Monday, November 19, 2018, 6:00 pm

P.S. 56 Cafeteria

MINUTES

Officers Present: Tina Fleming, Shaila Dewan, Melissa Forrest, Aja Stephens, Joseph Lewis

Committee Chairs Present: Kisha Anderer, Nirah Johnson

Number of Parents and Teachers present: 12

President Tina Fleming called the meeting to order at 6:08pm. Ms. Fleming welcomed all the parents and teachers and invited Principal Grande to give his report.

Mr. Grande reported on the recent meeting with the Lewis Latimer Museum. They are working on a partnership that will include museum visits and in-school workshops and projects. Mr. Grande gave an update on school activities including the upcoming Winter Dance Showcases on December 18 & 20. There was also a discussion on increasing the school's enrollment in the current school year, and next year.

By Laws Discussion

The PTA By Laws were presented to the general membership. A vote to adopt the by-laws will take place at the December PTA meeting.

A motion was made and passed to replace the word “president” with “president or co-president” throughout the bylaws.

A motion was made and passed to change all officers to have the option of a co-officer.

A motion was made to adopt three-year term limits for officers, as per the by-laws template. There was discussion because some do not like the language. The motion to adopt term limits for officers using the bylaws template language passed.

Kisha Anderer, Fundraising Committee Chair

A Direct Appeal letter went out in the backpacks on Friday, Nov. 16. Kisha reminded the parents about Giving Tuesday and the Amazon Smile donations. Upcoming Fundraising events are the Holiday Mingle at Hill Café on December 4th and the Family Dance Party & Coat Drive on February 9th.

Budget, Joseph Lewis, Treasurer

Joe reported that the proposed budget will be posted on the school website for review.

Upcoming Events

PTA Meeting – December 14th

Reading Campground – March 23rd

STEM Expo - May 4th

Mrs. Fleming adjourned the meeting at 7:22pm.

Submitted by:

Aja Grosvenor-Stephens

Date