

PS 166 The Richard Rodgers School of the Arts & Technology  
132 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10024

General PTA Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, April 18, 2019 8:30am. • Cafeteria

APPROVED at May 16, 2019 Meeting

1. Call to Order

Co-President Ms. Solomon called the meeting to order at 8:40am.  
Quorum was established.

2. Approval of the Minutes from the February 14, 2019 meeting

A MOTION to approve the minutes from the general membership meeting held on March 21, 2019 meeting was made by Ms. Solomon. The MOTION was seconded by Ms. Polimeni. The minutes were passed unanimously.

3. Broadway Sings update (Mariah):

- May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Need help for Saturday setup
- Ticket scanners and smooth crowd control
- Need volunteers

4. President Update:

- Open budget meetings occurred earlier this week (Monday AM and Tuesday Eve)
- Budget process being pulled together leading up to May 19
- Recruitment meeting held last week. Some volunteers came to ask questions and have discussions. Nomination forms are available

5. Principal update

- Testing: Math test will be similar to ELA. Some scheduling taking place to resolve the lunch “bump.”
- If children needs separate time, they can be moved to other location for 2<sup>nd</sup> part of test
- Nicola (Math consultant) at PS 217 – possible computer science /math partnership for next year. This will be great to supplement to our current coding within PS 166 curriculum.
- Katie – New school aide has started in the office and is undergoing training
- Orientation date to be decided soon (70 Kindergarten children registered already)

- 50% of our children received placement into the middle school of their first choice. Relatively the same compared to last year. 8 Children did not get in anywhere (same as last year)
- Two rounds (1<sup>st</sup> and appeal round). Appeals go in May 10

6. Security Update (Monica presenting on behalf of Nina):

- 400 cards have been printed and tested
- Custom desk & chair has been ordered to support computers (4 monitors, 1 CASS, 1 visitors, 2 security)

7. District Update (Monica presenting on behalf of Kim Watkins)

- Middle school election process is underway (Max and Monica have been attending district meetings on behalf of PS 166). Kim Watkins is running.

8. Treasurer Update

Gross sales \$149K. Net calculation is underway and is expected \$120-125K

Paddle raise for classroom libraries is not included in numbers above. Question raised by parent whether money can be donated specific to paddle raise (without raising hands at auction – a post auction silent fundraiser?)

Does the PTA want to fund additional teaching assistants? Discussion about how more teaching assistance happens in the lower grades coupled with the fact that generally parents contribute less as they progress K through 5.

Submit expense reports by mid-June to allow sufficient processing by end of school year

9. Family Fun Fitness Night

May 9<sup>th</sup>

10. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 9:14am

Respectfully submitted,

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Carl D. Cambria, Recording Secretary