

Frank McCourt High School - PA General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 14, 2020

1. Call to order
2. Reading and approval of the December 2019 minutes. Minutes approved.
3. President's/Principal's report: Winding down semester. End of this week, kids who aren't taking an exam have a break. Classes resume 1/28. Next semester starts February 1. Expo is January 30—all 11th and 12th graders will be presenting their work. Lower house parents and students will be invited as well. Hosting a session for 9th and 10th grade parents about upper house. 9th and 10th graders will have a section shake up next semester. New kids and new groupings. Last week in January younger students will have some diagnostic, practice regents. 9th graders have a trip to the Metropolitan Museum. 10th grade will be working on AP project. Student government is planning a dance for Friday Feb. 7 5-8:30
Transcripts will go home in February before the break. Lots of basketball going on. Girls and boys are doing well. Transitioning to spring sports in March. Regents next week. Prep classes have been ongoing. 10th anniversary celebration May 21. College night in the spring.
4. Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$33,321. We are aligned in terms of budget items but behind in fund raising. Mark will work on the PayPal account. Will ask parents to donate the night of January 30. Can we set a Venmo account. Elena, Sara, Eve, will volunteer to fund raise on the 30th.
5. Committees
 - a. SLT: Most recent meeting 1/7. Talked about CEP plan. Still needs to be updated on the website. Goal is 100% graduation. Counselors are monitoring at risk 9th graders. Gates Foundation New Visions is focusing on this. Working on tardiness and attendance. A big push for more AP classes and college readiness. A target of three new classes. Focus also on professional development. Discussing rigor and what that means. Making things more challenging for the kids who are at 85 and above. Alumni involvement is part of college readiness. Concern about how much students are reading.
 - b. Barnes & Nobel Book Fair: Amount of funds raised disappointing. Full report next month
 - c. Family Giving: PayPal needs to be fixed. Set up Venmo. Do a Valentine's fundraiser.
 - d. Auction: May 2 at Go Studios 6-10. Donation letter will go out 1/15. There will be a link to making donations on line. Will have an online component. Need as many solicitors as possible. Reach out to as many

past donors as possible. Karen McDermott is doing this. Theme is perfect ten. Bring forms to PA meeting.

6. Old Business
7. New Business: 10th anniversary will be about a half hour of parents meeting and greeting. A presentation from politicians. Current students are doing some singing and dancing. Then we will be going to a bar.
8. Close