

October meeting

News:

Hispanic heritage night –success!

Sunday Marathon

New Principal Search

Interviews with candidates begins tomorrow. Candidates selected by Anita Skop

Committee has mandatory and elected members –parents and teachers

Tomorrow set the questions and interview the candidates

Survey input will be used to inform any interview questions that can be asked.

SLT members, Claudia Lechuga and Melanie Sosa and Ms Davis are on the committee – reach out to them with input, feedback, etc.

PTA did some brainstorming on priorities for new principal search last year. Priorities are:

- 1- Availability to school community
- 2- Maintaining commitment to inclusion
- 3- Maintaining current school and educational path (school culture)
- 4- Cultural competency around our school's neighborhood

Note from letter –there are many other ways to share feedback and this is only for interview questions. Make sure your voice is heard. Fill out survey.

Ms. Davis filled in the process afterward. After the committee interviews the candidates, she will have follow-up personal interviews with the candidates.

Any questions? No questions. PTA will keep people updated –moving as quickly as possible to share back to the community.

Note: conversations regarding principal should not happen in front of Ms. Knudson.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

Powerpoint of highlights, first event last year—setting traditions:

-Dance

-Graduation

-Senior Trip to Sport Time

-Awards night

Fundraising: Winter Carnival was allocated to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Costs go up with more students

Asking for money from PTA again and will raise money through senior dues.

5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers presented a list of fundraising ideas.

Ms Knudson – Recess

Each year they get a projected number of students for the year, and they have fewer students than expected.

Budget owes money back in order to pay back the deficit.

Ms Knudson had anticipated some of the cost and gave 50k back

But need to find some more money. School outstuffs student chaperones for recess to get to the yard.

Pay \$46k to kids' orbit –need the money back.

Parent Question: could volunteers do this? Yes, with dependable volunteers , and volunteers who are trained to support recess activities.

Parking lots belongs to school only for certain day hours, so they need a lot of adults recess out there.

Parent input: Not mandatory, but as a parent it makes a difference for kids' learning and overall personas and behavior in the classroom.

Parent question: What's the timeline for needing the funds –what's the timeline for losing recess.

Wouldn't go away this year at this point. Principal as a leader wouldn't take that away.

Parent Question: Is there a committee working on this? Next SLT meeting will be ways to look at this –feel free to email Ms. Knudson with ideas.

NYC Marathon Fundraiser – viewing party/community gathering and fundraiser for student recreation

Because this fundraiser was not included in the annual budget (passed last month,) we need to vote to approve the expenses. 8:30 setup until noon

Committee Sign up

Volunteers for gardening club and Plant sale –Julia. Cara will fill Julia in on Grow NYC plant sale.

Fundraising/ Grant Writing Committee- Yadira can support Claudia will do it.

Roxanne and Dennis- yard sale committee, Jasmine and Melody

Special Educaion committee; Dennis and Yadira

Penny Membership Drive Committee

Family/ Potluck and Dance Committee

School Clothes Committee- Sell water bottles?

Book sales committee- Leonard White Will connect him to the parent who did it before  
Alicia, Melody y Oliva for the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation committee.

Translation committee.

Box Top Committee. –Kristin volunteered.

Jasmine- bake sale! Lorena has also volunteered to make chocolate covered strawberries

Marathon- Yadira, Courtney Epton.

AC Fundraiser

-Looking into two options –participatory budgeting

-Donation bins at local business and maybe Family Friday coffee.

Childcare during meetings-

Michelle would take it on as committee to coordinate volunteers for childcare.

Investigative committee.

### Winter Carnival

Naomi chair

Yadira will help

Ms. Knudson

Idea for a fundraiser where you sell plates.

List for parent volunteers needed for committees- send to Ms. Kudson