

General Meeting of the P.S. 98 Q Parent Teacher Association

January 19, 2021

Location: The meeting was held via Zoom.
Call to Order: President Kely DeLuca (KDL) called the meeting to order at Kelly 7:05 pm
Quorum: There as a quorum present.
Prior Minutes Approved: The minutes from December meeting were approved by the general membership at 7:02
Adjourned: motioned to adjourn the meeting by Linda Pantelatos 8:06pm. Motion was seconded by Carren Hanft. Meeting was adjourned 8:06

Mary Alice Lee director of playground program – Design process of new playground

- Plan is to build over 200 playgrounds.
- playground is open to community afterschool and weekend
- gather everyone together to get input of design
- working with 3rd and 4th grades
- working with kids and Landscape Architect
- working with kids on Templates of playground elements
- Online survey will be available
- Construction has to be approved
- Process will take few years
- Estimated construction to start next year
- Construction will go in stages
- Construction will be during school hours
- Memorial Tree in the park will remain
- Budget 1.1 million plus other funds raised in total about 1.4 million
- Survey will be sent out

What would you like to see in your new playground? – presented by Joan Keener

- artificial turf field
- Running track
- Multi-purpose courts
- Play equipment
- Fitness equipment
- Playhouse
- Green roof shade structure
- Game tables
- Stages for performance
- Outdoor classrooms
- Colorseal art on the ground
- Trees/ planting areas-beds
- Rain and butterfly garden

Video was played during the meeting to show different playgrounds designed

Will meet with children on January 28th to go over new playground

Questions by Parents:

Who provides maintenance?

Maintenance will be provided by school staff, budget will be provided

Will the walls will be redesigned?

Will take a look to see what we can do about it

Can we save matured trees?

Yes, will work with architect

Parents suggest to include:

Turf for kids to run and play soccer

Outdoor classes

Climbing wall

Principal Chan Update

- More scaffolding went up
- Estimated 2 years to complete the construction
- Construction been in progress everyday afterschool hours
- Covid cases were recorded on Friday – Situation room is overwhelmed with cases to keep up with tracing therefore school is still closed.
- Continued calling Situation room to figure out school re-opening, were told to remain school closed until they can investigate. Still do not have an answer to know when we can re-open the school. Principle Chan will continue to call to get answers
- Phone calls from situation room were not received yet.

Asst Principal Gautier Update

Introduction of Board by Kely DeLuca

- Need to approve additional fund for Art teacher \$1085.65
- Fund was approved
- Fifth grade fundraiser
- Lantern Festival on 26th
- Planning to bring back Fabulous Fridays – every Friday at 6pm Parent Reading via Zoom, parent will sign up
- Try for Spring fundraiser – outdoor
- Parents may email ideas for fundraising, way to get together (some ideas are: live band, singing stand up comedy) president@ps98pta.com

Treasurer's Report presented by Treasurer Lara Bomba Collura

Motion to approve financials by Linda Pantelatos , seconded Julia Dobry and approved (via chat and orally)

- December 20th starting \$85,174.20
- Art teacher \$6,862
- Callsroom supply \$ 924.64

- Ending Balance \$ 80,545.898

Update from Holle

- Midori Afterschool
- Kindergarten registration extended till Friday.
- Open house for kindergarten is on Monday.
- Middle school application process is now Open

President/Co-VP Report presented by President Kely DeLuca

Anna Alesci
Co-Recording Secretary