

PTA Meeting Minutes

Friday 12.14.23

6:30 on Zoom

Meeting began at: 6:30pm

Meeting ended at: 7:00pm

Next PTA Meeting is: 1.19.24

Present:

- School Staff: Dr. Fagin, Dawn Pender
- PTA Co-Presidents: Mary & Lianna
- PTA Co-Treasurers: Raul & Mariam
- PTA Co-Parent Coordinators: Janet
- PTA Co-Communications: Anna
- PTA Co-Fundraising Meagan & Chana
- PTA Secretaries Miriam and Dana

Principal Report

Dr. Fagin- Principal Report

-Currently working with the SLT to build on previous years' work, reset goals and align them with the school's vision

- Hoping to find ways to recruit and engage more families.

-We've had a very busy past couple of weeks- Pre-K family Morning, Winter Family Mornings, Ballroom Dance Share, and open houses.

-Starting to meet prospective families and going through the admissions process

-We are currently under our projected enrollment which means the DOE takes back money from us and it makes the budget even tighter.

-The Education Action Committee is aware of new policies and rollouts of different things happening across the city and the state.

-Surveys and collecting of information from school principals about the extent to which we could shift gears to accommodate class size legislation. The budget is limited, but hopefully there is funding on the horizon.

-We're working on the contract right now to be shared with the PTA executive board with partners such as the Brooklyn Acting Lab which is our musical collaboration with our fifth graders. Yoga starts in January with our Pre-K and K students, Shakespeare will be back and we have Improv with fifth grade.

Facility related

We're going to have some new installations and new appliances being installed in the building over the next week or so. This will impact water usage.

After School Update

So as we all know the lottery's results came out today, they processed over 725 course requests for 61 courses.

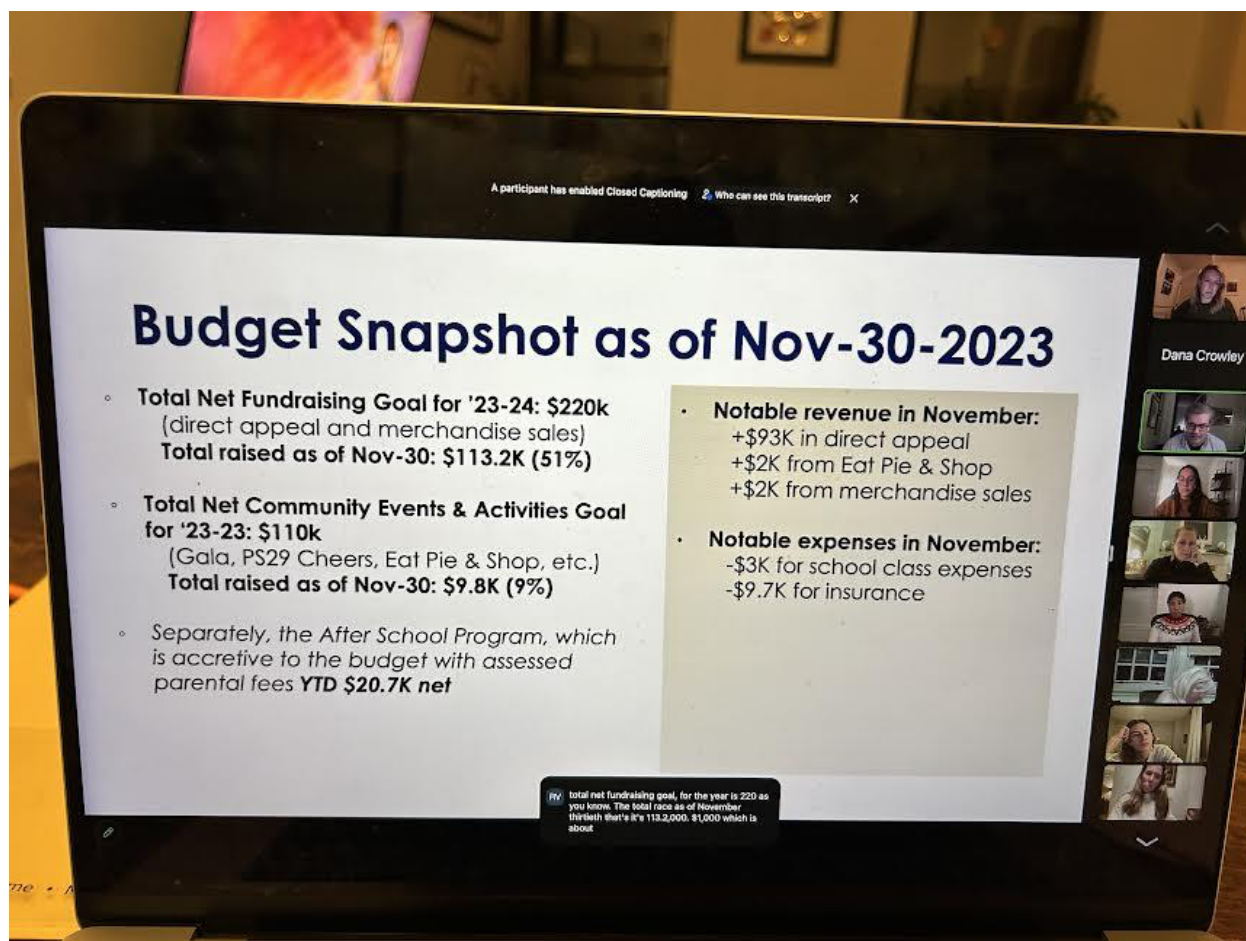
- 98% of students received at least one of their top choices and in many cases, both of their top choices. If there are any kids that weren't able to be placed in their preferred course they can email info at PS 29 Plus, to be put on the priority list.

-A lot of courses that have open spots so you can check the portal for that.

-Kids Club enrollment rolls over from this semester to the next. Deleted days need to go through PS29+ but if you need to add any days at any time through the portal.

Budget Update:

We have this snapshot of the budget and the total fundraising goal for the year is 220k. We have currently raised 113.2k which is 51% of the goal.



Giving Tuesday

The goal for giving Tuesday was to raise \$60k for the day and we had blocked it before the day began at \$20,00k from matching donors. We had a goal of 80 donors and we ended up with 255 donors. The total raised was 79,915.

The email campaign was effective- we sent out our last email saying that we are close to that benchmark around 8pm and for the next 24 hours people just kept giving. We had a really good turnout for that day. People were really generous and responsive.

50% of where we need to be by year's end and it was a nice significant boost for a single day. Last year we had 205 donors and this year we had 255!

EAT PIE SHOP

The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, even though we had to move indoors,

We are set to raise a similar amount that we have during the last three years.

-The amount of dedication, effort and energy is impressive. I know that families really make an effort to come out and watching the entrepreneurial students was amazing.