

Stuyvesant High School Parents' Association Minutes of the Meeting of February 23, 2016

The meeting of the Stuyvesant PA General Membership was called to order by Co-Presidents David Venderbush and Lynn Chen at 7:01 pm on Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

Opening Remarks

- Co-President David Venderbush welcomed the membership to the meeting.

Minutes

- Without objection, the Minutes of the January 26, 2016 general PA meeting were approved.

Principal Zhang's Remarks

- Principal Zhang reported on the successful performance of Mozart's *Requiem* by Stuyvesant students and others in Carnegie Hall on February 15. A free performance by the Stuy students will take place at the school on April 15.
- Principal Zhang noted that SING! Performances will take place on April 9, 11 and 12 and that performances usually sell out.
- Principal Zhang reminded Junior parents of the upcoming college information meeting on February 25.

Financial Report

- Treasurer Iris Lam reported that approximately \$68,000 was raised during the month of January.
- David reminded the general membership that it will be asked to approve Spring cycle appropriations at the March general PA meeting.

Spring Feast

- Sylvia Ramos, Co-Chair of Spring Feast, reported that 523 tickets to Spring Feast, which will take place on April 8, have been sold to date and encouraged parents and students to attend. Several team tables have been sold and parents can look at the Spring Feast Facebook page to see donors. The online auction will launch April 1-14 through Bidding for Good. Over \$1,200 of raffle tickets have been sold to date.
- David thanked the Spring Feast committee for their efforts and Co-President Lynn Chen noted that for every Spring Feast ticket sold, half of the proceeds go to the PA (the other half for the meal).

Spring Elections

- Second Vice President Amanda Moretti announced that Spring elections will take place at the May 24 general PA meeting. She encouraged parents who have an interest in running to do so, and those not running to consider joining the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee needs 5 volunteers, at least 3 of which must not be members of the Executive Board. So far one parent has volunteered.
- Offices for which elections will be held are: President/Co-Presidents; First and Second Vice Presidents; Corresponding and Recording Secretaries; Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer;

and Sophomore, Junior and Senior SLT Delegates. Elections for all Parent-at-Large representatives and the Freshmen SLT delegate will take place in the Fall.

Special Presentations

- **CUNY/Macaulay College:** Ms. Claire Norton and Ms. Mary Ann Diamond gave a presentation on the programs, scholarships and internships available through the Macaulay Honors College at the City University of New York. Parents seeking further information can refer to www.CUNY.edu/explore or www.Macaulay.cuny.com.
- **College Financial Aid:** Mr. Jim Trimboli, Director of Financial Aid at Niagara County Community College/SUNY, gave a presentation on financial aid and the FAFSA.

Following the Special Presentations, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by
Patricia Ceruzzi, Recording Secretary