

Stuyvesant High School Parents' Association
Minutes of the Meeting of May 24, 2016

The meeting of the Stuyvesant PA General Membership was called to order by Co-President Lynn Chen and First Vice President Maitland Jones at 7:14 pm on Tuesday, May 24, 2016.

Minutes

- Without objection, the Minutes of the April 19, 2016 general PA meeting were approved.

Principal's Remarks

- Principal Zhang commented on the recent sixtieth reunion of the Stuyvesant Class of 1956 held at CitiField.
- Principal Zhang noted that the senior class graduation will be held at Carnegie Hall this year and wished everyone a great summer.

SLT Report

- Julie Brown reported on the May 10 SLT meeting and noted that goals for next year include ensuring that 90% of the class graduating in 2017 will have taken at least one AP exam during their time at Stuy and to establish a freshman seminar for next year that will take place during school hours.
- Status of the homework policy is that the Principal is collecting feedback from teachers.
- Next SLT meeting is scheduled for June 7 and, if necessary, a further meeting will take place on June 14.

Financial Report

- Treasurer Iris Lam reported that approximately \$53,580 was raised for the month of April, with expenses of \$72,670 for net income of approximately \$(19,090).

Approval of 2016-2017 Budget

- After review, without objection, the proposed budget for 2016-2017 was approved by the general PA membership

Elections

- Carin Barbanel and Louise Stocker, Co-Chairs of the Nominating Committee, opened the spring elections for positions on the PA's Executive Board and the SLT for the 2016-2017 year.
- The positions of Co-presidents, Recording Secretary and Treasurer were uncontested. Motions were made, seconded, and by voice vote, approved for said offices to be filled as follows:
 - Co-Presidents: David Venderbush and Heather Higgins;
 - Recording Secretary: Ross Weiner; and
 - Treasurer: Iris Lam
- For contested positions, each candidate was given 60 seconds to speak, in order that their names appeared on the ballots that were distributed to the general membership. Carin announced that candidate #11 (ineligible because he is a parent of a student who will be a 9th grader next year and is not otherwise currently a Stuy parent) was stricken from the ballot as

his name appeared due to an error. Candidates standing for election (listed alphabetically below) were as follows:

First Vice President - Maitland Jones; Joy DeVries Heinze

Second Vice President - Shirley Chin; Suzanne Cruse; John Wehba

Corresponding Secretary - Andrew Cribb; Sylvia Ramos

Assistant Treasurer - Huifang Chen; Sandy Chu; Amanda Marsted

Senior Class Parent Representative to the SLT - Julie Brown; John Wehba

Junior Class Parent Representative to the SLT - Miranda Chan; Shirley Chin; Cynthia Curtis Nelson

Sophomore Class Parent Representative to the SLT - David Abramowitz; Susan Fenichell; Vivian Lin; Caron Shapiro; Jim Sulley

- Carin thanked all the parents who stood for election and asked the membership to complete their ballots promptly. Maitland explained that the Nominating Committee would be counting ballots tonight and therefore asked the membership to complete their ballots by 8:15 PM.

Special Presentation

- Maitland Jones introduced Mr. Michael Motto, a New York-based educational consultant and former Assistant Director of undergraduate admissions at Yale University, who gave a special presentation on the college admissions process.

Following the Special Presentation, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by
Patricia Ceruzzi, Recording Secretary