P.S. 748: The Brooklyn School for Global Scholars PTA Meeting Minutes January 2, 2025 (10:00am EST)

- Call to Order
- Attendance See Sign In Sheets
- Officer's Reports
 - President's Report (by Winsome Taik)
 - Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve December 2024 Meeting minutes. Approved.

Holiday Boutique

The Holiday Boutique was a success. Thank you to our parent volunteers.

Holiday Give Back

We gifted the students Penguin Mugs filled with hot cocoa, candy cane and rice krispie treats. We gifted the teacher rolls of wrapping paper and cannolis.

Picture Retake Day

Picture retake day will be on 1/9. Retake is for students who were absent on Photo Day and for students who did not like how their photo turned out. Students who did not like how their photo turned out have to return the photo packet in its entirety. All seniors must take a photo for the yearbook.

Dollar Shop

We will host a Dollar Shop on 1/16. We will be selling Pokemon Trading Cards, Dragon Ball Z Trading Cards, and Sanrio items.

Lunar New Year Lion Dance

Lunar New Year Lion Dance performance scheduled for 1/21. This is a student-only event. The students really enjoyed it last year, so we hired the same organization to perform.

Treasurer's Report (by Marissa Fennell)

• Account Balance

Starting Balance: \$24,781.92 Ending Balance: \$26,629.47

- See Treasurer's Financial Statement
- Principal's Report (by Ms. Annio)
 - Mid Year Assessments

Grades K - 2 will be taking their midyear Acadience Screener starting 1/21. This will help set goals and priorities for the children. Grades 3-5 will take their midyear ELA I-Ready Diagnostic. Grades K-5 will take their midyear Math I-Ready Diagnostic. This gives teachers the opportunity to see what each child needs help with. These tests do not affect report card grades and are only used as an instructional tool.

• NYS Exams (by Ms. Guido)

- NYS is moving towards Computer Based Tests ("CBT"). This is a gradual process. Last year, all the 5th graders took tests on the computer. This year, 4th and 5th grade Exams will be CBT. Next year, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade exams will be CBT. CBT is tricky because we have to make sure every computer is ready to go that morning. This year, 3rd graders will take Paper Based Tests ("PBT").
- NYS ELA CBT Grade 4 and 5: 4/22 and 4/23

NYS ELA PBT Grade 3: 4/29 and 4/30 NYS Math CBT Grade 4 and 5: 5/6 and 5/7

NYS Math PBT Grade 3: 5/7 and 5/8 NYS Science CBT Grade 5: 5/13

- NYSESLAT is given to English Second Language students. These are one on one
 tests where the child has to demonstrate their ability to understand the English
 language. This is scored in house to determine how many hours of help the child
 needs next year.
- We will be conducting simulation exams this month for ELA and Math. This will not be scored. The exam will consist of sample questions. The main point is to see how long it takes us to set up the computers.

- The NYS Math CBT requires students to show work digitally. There are tools, such as rulers and protractors, on the computer. The students will still be given scrap paper. First and then transcribe their work onto the computer. Teachers will do practice tests in February and March. Students will be confident and prepared.
- Ms. Guido will host workshops for parents in February to show exactly how the tests look like. Parents will also see the PBT and Rubric. Resources can also be found on the State website for students to prepare at home.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:28 AM

Next Meeting: February 6, 2025

Minutes by: Donna Lee