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## 03/14/19 Minutes for Art & Design HS PTA General Meeting

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### **Call to Order**

A general membership meeting of Art and Design was held on Thursday March 14, 2019 at the Library. It began at 6:37pm and was presided over by Miguel Chavez, with Karen Rafael as secretary.

### **Attendees**

Voting members in attendance included Miguel Chavez, Nelsa Boyer-Madisson, Karen Rafael, Jean Stemm, Frieda Christofides and Gabrielle Gilliam

Members not in attendance included: Jiin Wen and Evie Hantzopoulos

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes with two corrections to spelling of names of the previous January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 07<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting was made.

### **Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer's Report was presented by Jean Stemm

- Balance \$36K
  - Income –
  - \$998- Bake sale
  - \$12K FanfaireNYC
- Expenditures
  - \$7k - (FanfaireNYC, operations, donations to school)

### **Principals Report** - Presented by Manuel Ureña.

- End of the marking period is Friday. If your child is missing work, they can talk to the teachers and hand in. This marking period determines summer school.
- Report cards will be given out on Monday
- Tutoring is available
- Invitations for the regents exams will be given out
- 10<sup>th</sup> graders will be taking the Global regents. This is a new test. Students will be given the option to take both tests. Highest grade out of both tests will be honored. Students taking AP world history will have option to take all 3 tests. Mr. Ureña recommends taking both tests. Nothing to lose.
- AP exam information will be mailed out in May.
- Wednesday 3/27 – PSAT and SAT test day
- Modernizing the tech in the school. Changing the smart boards to Promethean Boards. New/free software
- Ms. Daly AP of Guidance - As of today the graduation rate is 88% close to the 90% goal
- Thank you to the PTA for another successful FanfaireNYC. Funds go back to the school and for that we thank the PTA

### **Nomination Committee Report** - Presented by Miguel Chavez and Frieda Christofides

- Nomination committee – Cesar, Claudia, Frieda and Miguel
  - All positions are open
  - Nominations are open starting today. Frieda read the duties of the officers per the bylaws and asked if there were any nominees three times for each position.
  - no nominations were made, all positions are currently open.

### **Presidents Report** - Presented by Miguel Chavez.

### **Funding requests**

- Asking for \$1K – Auditorium projection screen as a big tear. - APPROVED
  - Quote is 10K to be shared with the elementary school. But we would like to help with 1K
  - Miguel would like to contact the company that gave the quote and ask about warranty, repairs etc...
  - This is a good opportunity to invite alum film makers, show pta clips at open houses, auditions, student movie nights.

### **Motion to Amend ByLaws: Co-Officers Amendment**

- Proposed bylaw amendments:
  - Treasurer and corresponding secretary are listed as a single officer. We want to change that to add co officer wording to both Treasurer and corresponding secretary
  - Change assistant Treasurer and second VP to be held open at the fall election to allow freshman parents to serve on the exec board
  - You can run alone or as a co. If you run as a co, you must run as a team.
    - Co's less stress and more involvement

### **Fundraising committee Report**

- Online Auction coming up
  - Looking for donations
  - Volunteers needed for outreach, please contact Evie- [evie@artanddesignpta.org](mailto:evie@artanddesignpta.org)
- April 17<sup>th</sup> Easter bake sale
  - Looking for volunteers and donations of baked goods
- June 6<sup>th</sup> Freshman orientation
  - Big push for PTA (advertising)

### **Post event update**

- FanfaireNYC success
  - Gross was 20K spent 8K
  - FanfaireNYC has momentum. Vendors are saying they want to come back.
  - Need more volunteers to spread the tasks.
  - Start planning earlier

### **Teacher/staff luncheon**

- Teachers were happy

### **SUNY Purchase trip**

- All went as planned.

### **Pi Day Bake Sale**

- Pie sale raised \$800

### **College Fair Breakfast for Reps**

- There was a lot of food. Reps were pleased.

### **OTHER:**

After the principal's report parent Ruth Colman, Sarah Colman's mother wanted time to speak about her daughter's incident at FanfaireNYC. She wanted answers from the PTA. PTA President asked her if she would like to discuss this matter privately to respect her child's privacy and she refused. She was also requested to please stay and participate in the PTA Meeting but unsatisfied she left the meeting.

### **Expenditures coming up still in discussion**

- Subsidizing Art kits for incoming freshmen
- Last minute apparel
- Piano tuning

- Sophomore kits:
  - Cartooning, animation - kits??
  - Fashion Majors - sewing kits purchased for them last year.
  - Freshman graphing calculators??
    - Discuss with the school
    - Do we help subsidize 400 calculators or buy calculators for teachers to lend to students? Or buy only for hardship families
- Request for the entire AV system upgrade??
  - This is just food for thought

### **Zumba Class**

- Federica – (parent) would like to do a unisex beginners Zumba class as a fundraiser.
  - Are there any parents interested?
  - Need about 15-20 parents \$5-\$6
  - Community building

Comedy Jam? – an event we wanted, but couldn't happen. Maybe next year.

### **Special Presentation: Mr. Familia - C.O.S.A / Senior Advisor**

- C.O.S.A – coordinator of student activities
- Any questions he is in room 701A phone # 212-752-4340 x70102 email lfamilia@schools.nyc.gov

### **Adjournment**

Miguel Chavez moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 8:03 pm.

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Secretary Art & Design HS

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Date of Approval