

**Parents Association of the Bronx High School of Science
General Meeting
December 13, 2011**

PA President Anne Reingold opened the meeting at 7:15 and made several announcements.

Minutes of the November 2011 meeting were approved.

Announcements: The Department of Transportation is looking into installing speed bumps around the school. No safety incidents have been reported so far this year. The next Parents' Association Meeting will be on the topic of the college process. Following that meeting, the topic will be on course selection for next year. Valerie Reidy offered to answer questions regarding the recent press coverage of Bronx Science, including the recent *New York* magazine article.

Valerie Reidy spoke about the state of school. She spoke of the increase in school spirit, the Wolverine TV infomercials, and the success of the phonathon and the Intel dinner. She also mentioned that the band concerts will occur tomorrow evening. She then took questions from parents.

One parent asked how she feels about the recent articles and their effect on seniors and their acceptances into colleges. Principal Reidy said that the recent articles would have no effect on college acceptances.

He also asked about the impact of an array of negative stories that have spread in the press including one on a former teacher who received a U rating. Principal Reidy said that she acted appropriately in regards to this teacher. A back and forth conversation continued between Principal Reidy and the parent. The principal invited the parent to meet with her privately to finish the conversation.

Special Presentation

Dr. Michael Frazer spoke about the Internet and Your Child. He presented an insightful PowerPoint presentation and then took questions from parents.

--Sarah Stern, Co-Recording Secretary