

**PARENTS' ASSOCIATION OF  
THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE**  
Minutes of the General Monthly Meeting  
October 9, 2012

1. **Call to Order:** PA Co-President Cary Sheren commenced tonight's meeting at 7:15 PM as Manhattan Buses were running late

2. **Approval of September 2012 PA Meeting Minutes:** Minutes of the September, 2012 monthly meeting were approved.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Martha Stratis distributed and referred parents to the budget. The budget is balanced and is currently in good standing.

4. **Principal's Report:** Principal Valerie Reidy welcomed the parents and thanked them for attending Curriculum Night. Ms. Reidy explained the agenda for Curriculum Night. She discussed the science requirements necessary for graduation. There was a question and answer session regarding class plans, lessons and curriculum in general.

There was a brief suspension of the meeting to permit parents to attend the appropriate classrooms for curriculum night at 7:30. The Parents Association meeting resumed at 8:05 PM.

5. **School Leadership Team and Parents Association Executive Board elections:** Co-President Cary Sheren reminded parents that there was one opening on the School Leadership Team (SLT) and the position of Freshman At-Large Representative on the Parents Association (PA) Executive Board (EB). She noted that candidates would have 90 seconds to address the parents. Ms. Sheren opened the floor to nominees in addition to those who have already announced their candidacy.

SLT nominees were invited to speak. The nominees were:

Sanjay Augustine  
Veenu Belami  
Bob Goetz  
Danielle Slettin

Ms. Sheren thanked all of the nominees.

PA EB Freshman At-Large Representatives were invited to speak. The nominees were:

Isabelle Glasser  
Amit Guha  
Richard Lipkin

Ms. Sheren thanked all of the nominees.

Ballots were distributed and parents voted. Ballots were collected at two stations in the auditorium. Ballots were tabulated by the Co-recording secretaries.

6. **Co-President's Report:** Co-President Adam Stern reminded all parents in attendance to sign in. He also announced the PA's recruitment efforts for upcoming events including the Borough High School Fairs on October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup>, Open House for perspective students on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Teacher Appreciation Dinner October 25<sup>th</sup>, Phone-A-Thon (November 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>), and Auction (TBA). The

Phone-A-Thon and Auction represent the largest PA fundraisers of the year. He encouraged all to participate. Ms. Sheren noted that the PA's funds support Naviance, Jupiter Grades, teacher stipends, team uniforms and more. All funds generated are used to support our children.

Ms. Sheren announced that Tracey Shelton is the returning Co-Chair of the Auction committee. She noted that information regarding this event will be announced at the next PA meeting.

Ms. Sheren reported on the logistics of the Teacher Appreciation Dinner on October 25<sup>th</sup>: Approximately 20 volunteers are needed for set up, food service, and clean up. Small donations of soda, water, etc. are appreciated. Arthur Avenue Trattoria will be providing food for this event

Parent Teacher conferences will follow the dinner from 6 to 8 PM and again on Friday October 26<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2 PM. Ms Sheren noted that Friday will be the lighter of the two days.

**7. Old Business:** There was no old business to discuss.

**8. New Business:** There was no new business to discuss.

**9. Announcements:** The next SLT meeting will be Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 6 PM. The next PA meeting will be Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 7 PM. Extracurricular activities will be on the agenda.

Co-Recording Secretary Glen Price announced the results of the election. Danielle Slettin was elected as the newest member of the SLT. Richard Lipkin was elected as the Freshman At-Large Representative on the PA. Congratulations to both.

#### **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Glen Price, Co-Recording Secretary