



**PARENTS' ASSOCIATION OF
THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE
General Meeting
June 11, 2014**

- 1. Call to Order:** Co-President Adam Stern commenced tonight's meeting at 7:15 PM.
- 2. Approval of the May 6, 2014 Minutes:** Parents were in consensus regarding the minutes. The minutes were approved and adopted.
- 3. Treasurer's Report:** Co-President Stern, reporting for Treasurer Martha Stratis, referenced the FY 2013 report (current through 6/11/14). Mr. Stern reported that \$274,322 has been raised to date. Expenses to date are \$208,151. There is currently \$311,090 in the reserve fund.

Additional Expenditures: Co-President Adam Stern reported that the Biology Department requested the PA's support in purchasing equipment totaling \$9,610.19 (details attached to the treasurer's report. A motion was introduced to amend the FY 13 budget and increase spending by \$9,610.19 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Proposed 2014/2015 Budget:** Co-President Stern distributed the draft FY 2014 budget. The proposed budget is increased from \$203,200 in FY 13 to \$224,500 in FY 14. PA support is increased from \$235,940 in FY 13 to \$251,440 in FY 14.

Mr. Stern noted that there is a rollover of \$70,000 which will be reflected in the FY 2014 budget. Parents were in consensus regarding the proposed budget. The proposed budget was approved and adopted.

- 5. 2014/2015 School Leadership Team and Executive Board Slates:** Mr. Stern announced that the people listed below are the nominees for the 2014/2015 School Leadership Team and Executive Board. He asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no additional nominations. The following is the slate of candidates:

SLT: Carrie Karabelas

SLT: Danielle Stettlin

Co-president: Shanti Knock
Co-president: Patrick Gibbons
1st VP: Ellen Dubin
2nd VP: Liza Lagunoff
Corresponding Secretary: Heather Gibble
Co-recording Secretary: Glen Price
Co-recording Secretary: Claire Bienen
Treasurer: Marcia Mason
Assistant Treasurer: Elizabeth Newburry
At Large: Barbara Murphy
At Large: LiXu Chen
At Large: Richard Lipkin
At Large: At Large: Natalie Amrose
At Large: to be elected next school year

Parents were in consensus regarding the candidates. The candidates were approved and elected.

6. SHSAT Position Paper: Mr. Stern, citing the recent press articles regarding changing the standards for admission to the specialized high schools, discussed the activities of the PA's of the school and the need to provide the elected officials with a position paper from parents. A copy of the draft paper was distributed to the EB for review and comment. It was suggested that an additional line calling for the DOE to provide funding for SHSAT preparatory classes for all middle school students planning to take the exam. A motion was introduced to support the proposed SHSAT position paper. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Program: Mr. Stern announced that recent BxHSS graduates will be answering questions regarding their first year college experiences. The students are:

- Thomas Lloyd – Georgetown
- Anna Ziemski – Cornell
- Daniel Messner – Colgate
- Anthony Hagouel – Duke
- Pablo Vasquez - Princeton

Mr. Stern led a Q & A session regarding the students' first year expectation, experiences, course load, classes, college application process and successes.

7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.