# PARENTS' ASSOCIATION OF THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE General Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2018

## 1) Call to Order:

Co-President Rebecca Barreras commenced the meeting at 7:12pm. Approximately 56 parents were in attendance.

## 2) Principal's Report:

Principal Donohue encouraged parents to attend the upcoming Fall Play (December 2-3) and Concert (December 12-13). She also announced that all of the student bathrooms have been reopened.

## 3) School Sustainability Initiative:

Mr. Wren (AP Marine Biology teacher), the school's sustainability coordinator, presented on a new DOE pilot program to improve sustainability. The program is a competition and participating schools, including Bronx Science, can win medals and other rewards. The 'Green Team,' which is run by teachers, meets on Mondays at 3:45pm. There are Waste, Energy and Outreach groups. Parents are encouraged to make their students aware of the program.

### 4) Spring Auction:

Auction co-chair Katie Sperling gave an update on planning for the spring auction, which will take place on May 16. She also reported that the iPhone raffle has raised \$5,000; the winner will be announced at the December PA meeting.

## 5) SLT Report

Co-President Rebecca Barreras reported on the SLT meeting. The SLT bylaws were approved and will be posted on PA website and on Naviance. The School Quality Guide has just been released by the DoE, and results will be linked in upcoming PA eblast.

## 6) Treasurer's Report

Lisa Donohoe reported that the PA is over halfway toward meeting the goal of the 2018-19 annual appeal. She noted that the recommended parent contribution is \$500 and that it is tax deductible. She gave an overview of expenditure to date.

#### 7) Approval of the 10-24-18 Meeting Minutes:

The minutes were unanimously approved.

**10**) **Adjournment:** Co-president Rebecca Barreras adjourned the general meeting at 7:35pm for speaker programming.

The evening's speaker, psychotherapist Sean Grover, was introduced.

The next PA meeting will be on 12-11-18