

Q2L PTA Meeting

March 6, 2018

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Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Administrator's Address (Tim Jones, AP):

- Sign-Up Genius for PT Conferences (March 8) on website
- Korean Broadcasting Company (similar to ABC) is doing profile on Quest students which will air in Korea and the U.S.
- March 21 – PSAT and SAT for US students, attorney Moshe Horn will be in to speak to each grade on topics such as cyberbullying, safety, and navigating teen life in general
- March 13- Honor Roll Ceremony will be held
- March 14- US walk-out scheduled to support Parkland and protest gun violence, organized by SGO and supported by school administration. Walk-out will last 17 minutes. MS students will engage in a “captive walkout” in their classrooms
- Marking period 1 ends March 16, report cards distributed March 23
- US Boss Level: March 26-March 30; new: 9th graders will engage in PGC/SGO team building activities and community service in lieu of “garbage games”
- Spring Break: March 30-April 9
- 12th grade Graduation: June 21 at 10 am at NY Society of Ethical Culture
- US Art Teacher, Kaitlin Freewind, is putting on the first annual Student Art Show starting March 8 during PT Conferences

Peer Group Connection: Orlando Garcia, Faculty Coordinator and 10th gr ELA and Global Learning Specialist, gave an overview of the purpose and current activities of the PGC: 11th and 12th grade peer leader facilitate 9th grader outreach in home base. Invitations were distributed to a Parent Night will be held on April 19, 2018, from 5:30-7, with a presentation in the auditorium and then splitting into groups so that teachers, parents, and students may share their different perspectives. Orlando acknowledged and expressed thanks to Kathy Ringrose and the administration for all their help in getting this program off the ground. A grant from New Visions was given to develop the program in our school.

Treasurer's Report: February report distributed and discussed

Speaker: Rachel Coates, independent education consultant (www.educoates.com) on “How to Find Affordable Colleges” Resource handouts distributed, slides of presentation will be sent out

Minutes: Motion to approve February Minutes by Silvia Bernardo; seconded by Liz Amadio

Nominating Committee: Request made to PTA for those interested in becoming members to recruit nominees for June PTA elections

Spring Auction: May 16: Silent auction combined with Talent Show, “tricky tray” raffle. 7th grade parent Bobby Harden will help with auditions. Bring donation forms/donations to Room 712. Fern Robles is coordinator of on-line auction

National Art Association Convention (Kaitlin Freewind) US Art Teacher Kaitlin Freewind gave a presentation of convention, which has accepted her project proposal and which she will be attending. She also presented slides from the first annual Q2L US Student Art Show, which is curated by students and will be displayed in classrooms and hallways beginning March 8. Cost of attending convention is approximately \$500; she asked if PTA could help defray any or all of the costs of attending this professional development trip. She will attend either way. Board will discuss at next meeting.

Next PTA Meeting: **April 10, 2018, 6:30-8, Library**

Meeting closed at 7:50 pm

