



MSC Parents Association
Exec. Board Meeting #4 for 2017-2018
Tuesday December 6, 2017
8:45am in B17

In Attendance:

Abbey Nova, Alison Holden, Angela Butler, Caren Austen, Jason Isbell, Justine Franklin, Maura Duffy, Paulina Perera-Riveroll, Shayoni Mitra, Alison Papalia

Minutes

1. Wendy Siskin and Erol:

- Report on WITS program including Cook for Kids with Chef Yari, harvest and café days, salad bar training, ordering and procuring from DoE lunch supplies that include training cafeteria staff in ordering less processed food
- Recess report with Coach Mateo attending every recess, increased activities like jump rope, focus on physical activities, integrating movement throughout the day, increased leadership skills. Some concerns about rough play and conflict during recess through the grades, suggestions of weekly reports, better training other adults/teachers present as recess aides, improved communication with teachers and administration including information sharing about troubling patterns and behaviors
- Budget suggestions for next year including trimming down WITS, possibility of more manpower at recess filled temporarily through interns, a more detailed report from the program

2. Annual appeal: 123K towards our goal, commitments of 10K through Phonathon from night before, direct pitch at Relatives and Special Friends Day, follow up email and another appeal scheduled to go out during winter break.

3. Minutes from previous meeting approved.

4. Budget Report: biggest expense was COACH for Kids,

5. Claire busy with reparation for **Quality Review** by DoE which will be over two days, nine hours a day and include conversations with staff, teachers, students and parents.

6. Raising Race Conscious Kids: three morning sessions proposed for January next year, suggestions to have ambassadors from each class attend, forty slots for attendees in each session, online sign up through Event Brite.



7. **Middle School report:** some grade discrepancies in middle school conferences, first assessment grades needed for high school applications so this is concerning, need for better morale, how to have rigorous education while keeping the spirit of progressive education,

8. **Volunteer Update:** updating website with relevant information and description underway, Google groups working well for committees but there is a learning curve, thinking about how to establish continuity, carrying over expertise and personnel one year to the next.