



THE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION OF PS 199, INC
Executive Board PTA General Meeting
May 15, 2026 at 9:00 am Hybrid

Executive Board Attendees: Lauren Fiore, Sarah Najarian, Abhishek Khandelwal, Ali Shapiro, Courtnay Grant, Matthew Williams, Tatyana Malinovskaya, Genie Chow, Masha Hoffman, Gaia Marchetti, Sally Shin, Emily Drummond, Stephanie Strote,

Administration: Sharon Chung

Welcome and Call to Order: PTA Co-President Lauren called the meeting to order at 9:04 am

- Welcome everyone!
- Thank you to everyone who helped with teacher appreciation week.
- Culture Fair was a great event enjoyed by many families
- The Yankees game was a successful event!
- Please sign up to be a buddy family for incoming families
- We did not win the Participatory Budgeting Vote :(

Minutes - Lauren announced a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting March 13, 2026. Approved by Courtnay and seconded by Sarah .

Agenda Items:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Minutes Approval
- Administration Update
- Presidents Report
- Committee Reports
- Treasurers Report
- Q&A

Admin Update

Sharon Chung: Principal

- Thank you for a great teacher appreciation week!
- Admin is currently in the middle of planning the next school year, please fill in family surveys.
- 4th grade will have a new section next year and will be hiring one new teacher.
- 5th graders had a wonderful time on their Spring Lake field trip.
- Majority of teachers will be Orton-Gillingham trained during the summer

Presidents Update: Lauren and Liz

- Calendar updates - reminder to check the school website for up to date info on events
 - May 17 - Spring 5k
 - May 22 - Parents as Partners
 - June 13 - Garden Event
 - June 14 - Spring Carnival
 - June 17 - End of Year Picnic
- Elections update
 - Meeting date Thursday, June 11 6:30-7
 - Election Chair - Brian Grant

- Election notice posted 10 days prior to election, info will go out on Konstella this Sunday, Instagram notice was posted earlier this week.
- PTA Budget Process
 - Met with Sharon to find out how much each program costs and anticipated number of learners.
 - Some programs charge per group, vs class so can combined classes for enrichment programs to save \$\$
 - The treasurers and co-presidents reviewed each fundraising event, after some discussion about cost of events vs money raised, it was recommended to remove the budget line for the Spring Carnival.
 - Lauren made a motion to eliminate the budget for the Spring Carnival next year. Courtney approved and Ali seconded. Poll launched for zoom and in person voting took place. 9 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain. Motion carried.
 - Due to lower Family Giving Participation and not having an increase in many years,, it was suggested we increase it from \$1500 to \$1999.
 - No major changes to school operating costs, disc if OG training will be paid with this year's budget or next year.
 - Decrease PTA contribution to 5th grade, contribution has stayed the same the last few years and there are less 5th grade students, new contribution reflects that.
 - No changes to the enrichment programs - line for dance will decrease due to combining classes and 4th graders NDI is subsidized .
 - The Garden Committee has asked for an increase to their budget for a greenhouse - will look at costs and see what can happen.
 - Lauren made a motion to approve the budget draft. Courtney approved and Sarah seconded. Poll launched for zoom and in person voting took place 6 yes, motion carried.

Committee Updates

Fundraising Update: Gaia and Stephanie

- Spring Carnival is June 14, please reach out to local places you know for sponsorship. Volunteers needed

Garden Committee: Matthew

- Garden event is June 13, rsvp will be sent out soon

Financial Report: Sally

- April Income \$26,000, YTD \$142000.
- April expenses are \$14 ,000 (school operating expenses, teacher appreciation, spring carnival inflatables deposit)
- Gala raised \$203,000!

Q&A/Other Business

- Next General PTA Meeting is Thursday April 24, 9am Hybrid
- Next EB Meeting is June 8 at 8:45 am hybrid (library)
- Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am
- Minutes prepared by Courtney Grant on May 16, 2026