



THE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION OF PS 199, INC
General PTA Meeting
April 23, 2026, 9:00am Hybrid

Executive Board Attendees: Lauren Fiore, Liz Oved, Shari Forrest, Sally Shin, Emily Skurnik, Gaia Marchetti, Genie Chow, Iris Fitzgerald, Sarah Najarian,

Administration: Sharon Chung - Principal, Marie Sun - VP, Sara Lise Raff - Parent Coordinator

Zoom Attendee Count: 18 In Person Attendee Count: 11

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

Minutes - Liz announced a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting February 27, 2026. Approved by Courtney and seconded by Sarah

Agenda Items:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Minutes Approval
- Administration Update
- Parent Coordinators Update
- Presidents Report
- Fundraising & Committee Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Q&A

Admin Update:

Sharon Chung: Principal

- NYS Math Exams are coming up next week for grades 3-5.
- May 5, 7 and 13 grades 3-5 will have performances.
- Please complete your family plan form for September.
- Lots of end of year activities and celebrations coming up so be on the look out for communication about those events
- PD plan proposal for 26/27 school year. Disc having all teachers trained in OG. Would like to start the process for this coming school year. Teachers are also interested in learning how to incorporate executive functioning strategies into the classroom.
- NYS: Portrait of a Graduate - proposed personal finance education and climate education - The 5 topics being focused on would be 1) budgeting and money management 2) credit and debit management 3) earning incoming 4) risk management and 5) savings and investing.
- Sesame Street visited over Spring Break to film some segments for their social media accounts. The footage should be available in May/June, will notify families when that is available
- Paperbag Players visited this week for K-2 students
- PL cycle 3 - student centered learning - modifying ELA lessons.
- Kindergarten classes have been learning about neighborhoods in different continents.

Parent Coordinator Update: Sara Lise Raff

- Kindergarten registration is underway. June 3 will be the meet and greet.
- Middle School and Summer Rising results are out now.
- Disc school hours last late pick up is at 2pm.

Marie Sun: VP

- Save The Date for the Culture and Belonging Fair, April 30
- Safety update - reminder that school hours are between 8:30 and 2:50 and to please be on time.
- 11/12 safety drills have been completed. The last evacuation drill will be completed by June.

Presidents Update: Lauren and Liz

- Welcome everyone
- Upcoming events (check website for most up-to-date events!)
 - April 25 - Garden Event
 - April 30 - Culture Night
 - May 4-8 - Teacher Appreciation Week
 - May 17 - Spring 5k
 - June 13 - Garden Event
 - June 14 - Spring Carnival
 - June 17 - End of Year Picnics
- Next PTA meeting will be our budget will be discussed for approval at June PTA meeting
- Location for End of year picnic is tentatively Riverside Park, applying for permit and send out save the date soon
- New AC will be ordered for room 306

Garden Committee: Alfred

- Spring transplanting event will be April 25
- Sunworks will be there with DIY hydroponics
- Tea and Biscuits will be served
- Please RSVP!

Culture Committee: Sarah

- Culture Fair will be April 30 from 5-7pm
- If you would like to come and share, please reach out to Sarah
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Fundraising Committee: Gaia

- The Yankees Game was a success! Long rain delay but overall everyone had a good time. Sold all 85 tickets.
- Spring Carnival is June 14 - volunteers needed!

Financial Committee: Sally

- March income \$196,300
- Family Giving \$9,300 - YTD \$135,800 78% of goal
- Spring Gala \$160,000 - money still coming in
- March expenses \$44,000 (auction expenses \$26,800, merchant fees \$5,200, school operating costs \$3,800 Yankees tickets \$3,300, field trips \$1,300)
- Kindergarten and 2nd grade are in the lead for Family Giving!

Q&A/Other Business

- Lauren and Liz proposed amending the budget and reallocating funds. Disc budget and actual spending for classroom supplies (\$15,000) and curriculum materials (\$30,000). This year the school was able to prioritize rollover funds from previous years so that the actual amount of money spent was \$4000, so far this year, which leaves \$41,000. Another area of spending looked at were the NY Philharmonic (\$12,000) and Chess (\$39,000) enrichment programs. Principal Chung received a grant this year that was applied to the NY Philharmonic. The actual cost of the program this year was \$5850. The school has a new vendor for chess this year and that has saved the school \$5400.

- Liz made a motion to reallocate up to \$52,000 from Chess (\$5400), Curriculum Materials/Classroom Supplies (\$41,000) and NY Philharmonic (\$5850) to Enrichment, Intervention and School Support. Sally approved and Sarah seconded. All 9 members present voted in favor of the budget amendment. Motion carried.
- Next EB Meeting is May 15 at 9 am
- Next General PTA Meeting is Thursday, May 21 at 9am on Zoom
- Meeting adjourned at 9:52 am
- Minutes prepared by Courtney Grant on April 23, 2026