



THE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION OF PS 199, INC
Executive Board PTA Meeting
November 7, 2025, 9:00am Hybrid

Executive Board Attendees: Lauren Fiore, Liz Oved, Alison Shapiro, Shari Forrest, Sally Shin, Courtney Grant, Sarah Najarian, Stephanie Strote, Gaia Marchetti, Genie Chow, Iris Fitzgerald, Sweta Merchant, Abhishek Khandelwal, Arthur Dembro, Meital Dror, Peter Borock, Iris Fitzgerald, Emily Drummond

Administration: Sharon Chung I.P and Sara Lise Raff parent coordinator

Zoom Attendee Count: 1 (Tatyana Malinovskaya)

Welcome and Call to Order: PTA Co-President Lauren Fiore called the meeting to order at 8:58 am

- New members of Executive Board were introduced and welcomed
- Fall Fest and Bake Sale were very successful events, thank you to all the volunteers
- Disc volunteer involvement is quite low, suggestion to have class parents help source volunteers for events

Minutes - Lauren announced a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting October 10, 2025.
Approved by Alison and seconded by Sarah

Agenda Items:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Minutes Approval
- Administration Update
- Teacher Update
- Calendar of Events
- Committees & Volunteers
- Finance Update
- Communications
- Save the Dates/ Other Business

Admin Update: Sharon Chung I.P

- Chess for K-1, Architecture for 2nd grade, Philharmonic for 3-5, Ballet Hispanico 3rd grade and NDI for 1 and 4 have started. Letters should be going home to families about that.
- Disc inservice learning with Harlem Grownns for the 5th graders and a cooking program for the ACES program.
- Thank you for the new walkie talkies, been very useful to be able to stay in contact around the building.
- 3rd floor teachers are very thankful for the new color printer and copy machine that arrived. Will check 1st floor printer.

Parent Coordinator Update: Sara Lise Raff

- Thank you for the wonderful events so far this year

- Disc ways to encourage volunteering

Calendar of Events

- Family Giving Campaign
- Community Cares coat and boot drive Nov 12-14
- Parents as Partners - Nov 14
- Book Fair Nov 17-24 (class shopping days will be communicated through the teachers soon)
- Knicks @ City Tavern Nov 22

Calendar updates

- *Broadway Night - January 25 at 2pm
- * Movie night - (License needs to be renewed) Jan 30
- * Wine Night - moving from January to February 27
- * Gala - March 27 @ Slate downtown

President's Update: Lauren

- Participatory budget proposal - disc cafeteria upgrade estimate is \$400,000
- Disc general fundraiser requirements, prohibited activities, chancellors regulations/waivers and approvals

Committees & Volunteers

- 5th grade has a committee now (Shiri Amoray, Trisha Scheurer, Sviatlana Fadzeeva, Stephanie Kokinos, Susan Khalil, Lauren Weigal, Judy Slater, Jessica Feinstein)
- Disc 5th fundraising goal
- Pie Sales have started, orders to be in by Monday Nov 10

Event Proposal

- Thanksgiving Potluck proposed for Thursday Nov 20. Disc activities, time of event, volunteers and permits required. Due to timing, a permit won't be secured in time. Motion was made to approve the event, motion denied.
- Winterfest proposed for Thursday Dec 18. It would be a community event. Disc activities, permits, activities. Stephanie will talk to Judy Slater to work out details. Motion was made to approve the event, motion carried.

Fundraising Update: Stephanie and Gaia

- Fall Fest came in under budget! Thanks to parents for volunteering to help out. The event was a success.
- Thank you to local businesses who donated time/items.
- Payment methods - still figuring what works best when tap to pay isn't working/slow

Treasurer's Report: Sally and Abhishek

- Family giving is up ~\$30K, year to date ~\$49K.
- Corporate Match ~\$15K in October.

- Fall Fest ~\$8.5K revenue, expenses ~\$2.4K - net rev ~\$6.6
- Bake Sale (nov) ~\$6500
- October expenses were ~\$9,400

Save the Dates/Other Business

- Upcoming General PTA Meetings
 - Thursday Nov 20 6pm (Cafeteria)
 - Thursday Dec 11 6pm
- Next EB Meeting - Friday Dec 5 9am
- Meeting adjourned at 10:14 am
- Minutes prepared by Courtney Grant on November 7, 2025