

TAOTS PTO
General Meeting Minutes
Thursday - February 16, 2017
Auditorium – 8:30 a.m
Minutes recorded by Anna Messina

- I. Call to order 8:43 a.m. by Vice President Philip Sum
- II. **January Meeting Minutes:** January minutes were read and **approved by a vote of: 17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.**
- III. **President's Report:**
- **Gala Update by Janice Huang**
 - Program Book - \$2,500 income thus far with \$1,000 pending
 - During the week off please bring solicitation packet to businesses you patron.
 - Some raffle prizes at the Gala for families will be: Disneyworld tickets, Kennedy Space Center tickets, Kalahari, Bronx Zoo
 - For adults: Bulova jewelry, \$200 to Scott's Jewelers, Bruno's Hair Salon, Coach bag, Prada clutch, Rayban and Gucci sunglasses, Nets courtside seats, Jets football memorabilia
 - For kids: Mill Basin camp, Kings Bay Y, Oasis Summer Camp, Wingspan, Soccer and Baseball classes, NY Fencing Academy, Tutoring Centers
 - Buy a table for 10 people at \$700. Visit gala.taotspto.org
 - Grand prize raffle tickets are coming home. 3rd prize is \$300, 2nd prize is iPad Pro donated by 1st grade, and the 1st prize is a Louis Vuitton Eva clutch donated by 5th grade.
 - 7 total tables sold thus far.
 - Gala Expenses presented by Angela Huang. Budget currently approved for \$7,000 in expense. Due to new venue with price increase proposing to raise the expenses to \$15,000. Projected gross income of up to \$50,000. Increase in the budget **approved by a vote of: 17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.**
 - Next month's meeting has been changed to a morning meeting. March 16, 2016 at 8:30am.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report:** presented by Irina Furmanskaya
- Fund balance over \$52,000. Direct appeal has been steadily increasing.
 - Question regarding Barclay's Circus income – Philip Sum explained that sales made through Event Brite. Will be deposited to our account after the event. **Approved by a vote of: 17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.**

- Amazon Rewards: For the best rewards click on the link on the TAOTS PTO website. Amazon Smiles does not earn nearly as much.

V. **Principal's Report** (Melissa Appelbaum)

- February 28th there will be a morning and evening ELA Testing Meeting or parents at 9am and 5:30 pm. More details will be in the weekly email.
- Dr.Seuss' birthday is on March 2nd. Information will be going home
- Tonight is Math and Literacy night from 5-7pm
- Tomorrow is the 100th Day of School

VI. **Fundraising Update** (Philip Sum): Box Tops – 22,000 collected. We broke the record. We can expect a check for over \$500. Thank you for all the collections.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.