



**Yorkville Community School PTA General Membership Meeting
MINUTES**

2014-2015 School Year
Tuesday, September 21, 2015
8:45 AM

Welcome and Call to Order

Ruth and Nesli called the meeting to order at 8:50am.

Reading of Last Meeting's Minutes from June 9, 2015

A motion to waive the reading of the June 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes was made and unanimously approved. The minutes were distributed to the meeting attendees.

Co-Treasurer's Report

Alison Dow and Nancy Marti distributed and reviewed 2 documents, which included the 2015-2016 Budget vs Actuals and the Summary of Parent Donations to the General Fund.

Monthly Financials and Status of General Fund Donations:

Alison informed to the PTA members that as of to date we are at only 8% of the projected income. September is not over yet, but compared to the same month last year we are pacing behind with around \$ 5,000 and we hope to be on par with last year's September by the end of the month.

Cash Balance \$260,551

Parent Donations to date \$10,035

Expected income from Parent Fundraising \$125,000

Total Donations to date \$10,035

Alison and Nancy also commented we have received corporate matches for about \$6,710 as well as a grand of \$10,000 from the Department of Education.

Our Co-Treasures mentioned that the PTA has already started to make the necessary payment to cover some of the YCS enrichment programs, they also said that under the technology line, the Chrome Books expense was also completed.

Alison called for a motion to amend the budget: The amendment proposed to move the funds from Financial Literacy Program and replace it with a new program called "Constitution Works", this movement represents going from \$4,500 to

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\$2,000. The other \$2,500 would be re allocated to Classroom & Instructional supplies and Read-A-Thon.

Miss Samantha & Mr. Martin explained to the parents the benefits and utility of the “Constitution Works” program for the YCS students.

The motion to amend the 2016-2016 Budget was approved unanimously.

Principal’s Report

Miss Samantha welcomed the Members of the PTA to this first meeting of the school year. She highlighted that the students had a great start of the year. She also talked about the changes to the procedures during dismissal.

Miss Samantha reminded that the YCS won the vote from the Participatory Fund and improvements to the school’s roof can now be funded.

She highlighted the importance of technology in the classrooms and said that thanks to the contributions of some elected officials like Assembly member Ben Kallos now every classroom has Smart boards, every 2 classrooms has a cart of Chrome Books, the Kinder classes have a cart of iPads for research and that the library now has 2 Mac Pros for research.

School Leadership Team (SLT) Report:

The SLT members said meetings will resume soon. This is special consultative committed where there is representation from parents, teachers and school admins.

Co-President and Subcommittee’s Report

Nominations Open for Members-at-Large

Ruth & Nesli opened the nominations for the Members-at-Large. These are positions for new families to the YCS and they will basically chair important events and contribute to the PTA executive board.

The nominees are:

- Glen Hardy
- Aly Ouedraogo
- Lili Lampasona
- Lisa Godley

Each of the nominees talked about their interest to join the Executive Board and ways to contribute to the PTA efforts.



The ballots were distributed to the attendants and after the votes were collected and counted the 2 nominees with the most votes were:

- Aly Oudraogo
- Lily Lamposana

A warm of round of applause was given to the new members.

Family Social October 3rd

Michelle & Julia mentioned that the plans for the event are almost ready. The logistics and theme are almost ready. Miss Samantha suggested the PTA to find ways to control the number of attendants since there are strict city safety regulations about the number of people allowed.

Parent Relations announcement

Michelle & Julia reported that some classes don't have Class Parents yet. These classes are 2-409, 4-503 & 5-508. She invited parents of any of these classes to volunteer and become Class Parents since it's important to have a bridge of communication between parents and teachers.

YCS Fall Festival on Saturday Oct 24th

Luke and Caroline explained that the Festival is in planning stages and that they are working towards organizing a successful festival. The mentioned they are looking for volunteers and underwriters. The design of the invitation is ready. The street permits are in the works.

Update on Garbage Transfer Station

Ruth talked about the situation of the Garbage Transfer. She said that over the summer it was confirmed the change of the position of the ramp that leads to the station. She said that although this is an important change, the impact to the community will still be there.

New Business

Jackie, a parent of a 5th grader and former Co-President of the PTA said she will be working on this year's Year Books and would like to get the help from other 5th grader parents. She kindly asked for volunteers to help her in this initiative.

Adjourn

Nesli and Michael adjourned the meeting at 9:45am