

P.S. 174Q

Safety Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2017

Type of Meeting: Town Hall Safety Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: K. Kelly

Members: Principal Karin Kelly, Agent Shazia Iqbal, PA Rep Angelina Fernandez, Recorder/Secretary UFT Rep. Richard Niccolich, Engineer – Lou Celentano, Crossing Guard Tina Inglese, Parent Coor. – Laura Hui, Teacher Reps. Ms. Roopchand and Ms. Desvigne, IA Assistant Principal Kerstin Kobetitsch

Attendance: *Principal Karin Kelly, Safety Agent Shazia Iqbal, UFT Rep. Richard Niccolich, Custodial Engineer Lou Celetano, Crossing Guard Tina Inglese, Parent Coor. Laura Hui, PA President Angelina Fernandez, IA Assistant Principal Kerstin Kobetitsch*

I. Call to order – 8:05

II. Asphalt Green Recess Enhancement Program

-PS 174 again is leading the way by being involved in an exclusive 12 session program piloting a recess enhancement program. This program trains school aides to provide students with more opportunities to take part in fun activities during recess. It also teaches students to become facilitators and leaders by taking an active role in encouraging other students to play. At the end of the program, our school will be providing feedback to help improve this program.

III. Traffic Safety

-In PS 174's further attempts to address the traffic safety concerns brought up by parents and staff, the school has procured the Cross This Way video and lessons from the NYC DOT. It is meant to provide students with the tools they need to be safe in traffic environments.

-Parents will be invited to take part in this lesson. It is important that traffic and pedestrian safety be reinforced both at home and in school.

IV. Puppet Show

-PS 174 in conjunction with the City Parks Foundation and the Puppet Mobile will be hosting Cinderella Samba in May. Community schools have been invited to come and enjoy one of the two showings.

-Laura Hui has applied for a park permit. An extra security agent has been assigned to the school for the event.

V. Electronics Safety

-An email will be sent to families with information about electronics safety (including cell phones and Internet use.) Parents need to go over, with their children, how and when to use their cell phones safely and responsibly: including walking in the streets and when using the mass transit system. (A fact that may not be known to the general public is that the MTA has employees who retrieve dropped items from the tracks.)

-Since the event does not personally affect our students and due to sensitive nature of news events, the committee feels it would be more appropriately handled by the individual families.

VI. The 2nd Lockdown Drill was completed on March 6, 2017.

VII. Adjournment