

**P.S.174Q School Leadership Team Minutes**  
**Friday, January 15, 2016**

The meeting began at: 7:43 a.m.

Attendance: Karin Kelly, Heather Dimitriadis, Pat Evens, David Heath, Geraldo Maldonado, Gina Mastrogiacomo, Julie Milner, Richard Niccolich, Marie Russell, Elana White

Observers: Laura Hui, Parent Coordinator, Robert Jancu, parent observer.

December minutes were amended and approved.

SLT Members: An amendment to include a DC 37 member was discussed. At this time no DC 37 representative has shown interest in becoming a member of the SLT. Moving forward, next year there will be a posting to include CSA, UFT and DC 37 representatives. In the meantime, any DC 37 member who has issues or suggestions, can speak to Pat Evens and she will bring it up at the SLT meeting. The issue was tabled until the amendment could be reworded.

Lunch Periods: Parents have suggested some ideas for indoor activities during lunch periods, such as, students can showcase interactive games, e.g. “Simon Says”, students can bring “Rainy Day Bags” containing books, cards, lanyards, origami, etc., (as long as there are no valuable items included). Parents are always welcome to come and volunteer during indoor recess. At this time, the auditorium AV equipment is not fully operational, making it difficult to utilize the Active Fitness program.

Karen Koslowitz' Participatory Budget: PS 174 is one of the schools included on the tentative ballot for school district improvements. The final four district projects are: (1) AV equipment for the auditorium, (2) wiring for air-conditioning in common areas, and (3) bathroom renovations. Once the projects have been placed on the ballots, announcements will be made notifying parents of the opportunity to vote in late March, early April. Mrs. Dimitriadis will provide more information in the upcoming months.

NYC Council Funding: Karen Koslowitz' office has already set aside funds for a STEM lab and air-conditioning for the auditorium. Melinda Katz, Queens Borough President is providing funds for a Performing Arts classroom, and \$55,000 for technology. Renovations for a STEM lab will hopefully take place during the Summer. A start date for the installation of the auditorium air-conditioning units has not yet been determined, however it will be in two phases – 1) wiring, and 2) installing the units.

Enrollment: Online Kindergarten enrollment is coming to end and online PreK begins January 25 through March 4. Laura Hui will be sending out flyers regarding school tours.

Debate Team: The Debate Competition was a great success with 100 percent participation from our school's team. A total of 40 5<sup>th</sup> grade students competed with their families cheering them on. In order to carry the program forward next year, fundraising will need to be actively done.

Basketball Team: Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade student basketball team is getting ready to compete in their first game of this year.

Next meeting will cover updates of goals in our CEP Action Plan.

Meeting ended at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Marie Russell.