

3/9/16 General PTO Meeting

Minutes

Present: Ha Wallace, Toya Will, Gloria Minehl, Randi Alberin, V. Eastwood, Mia Shervington, Berletta Weedor, Mario T., Juan Zhizhpan, Isabel Pipolo, Denise Lopez, Vernita Mosely, Marisa O'Leary, Dr. Fine

**attendees are recorded in accordance to the sign in sheet

President's Report:

- Harlem Wizards game on May 20th at High School
- May 18th general meeting will feature *Osebo's Drum*, a special cultural enrichment performance

Treasurer's Report:

- Art to Remember Fundraiser currently running at Woodside
- Overall, PTO is doing very well financially- have met all of our fundraising goals

Fundraising Committee Report:

- Harlem Wizards game will be on Friday, May 20th at 6:30 pm at the high school
- Opportunity to purchase discounted tickets during flash sale where 100 tickets will be available for \$10 each (more information will be back-packed home)
- Committee is hopeful this will become an annual event
- Upgraded (court-side) tickets will also be available
- Volunteers will be needed- stay tuned for more specific information

Guest Presentation- Mr. John Laplaca from Altaris Consulting Group (k – 12 safety & security management):

- Peekskill district wants to ensure the safety of all students & therefore reached out to Altaris to help train all staff on safety & security protocols
- Altaris was asked to review the visitor management systems at each building- district is in a good place with its current protocols
- Staff development- team spent a full day going into each building working with the district emergency response teams, training on prevention/threat assessment
- Currently working on revising almost all emergency response plans
- Will be conducting table top exercises

- **Parents role in an emergency:** if you see something, say something (at building or district level; can be done anonymously, communicate to kids signs of aggression and/or depression), listen to instructions given by district (i.e. do not drive to your child's school to pick him/her if you have been instructed not to)
- Any entities within 10 mile radius of Indian Point required to have an emergency evacuation plan
- Rare occurrence when an entire district must be evacuated
- District is required to have mental health protocols in place

Next Meeting:

Next general PTO meeting will take place on April 20th at 6:30 pm