

**PARENTS' ASSOCIATION OF  
THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE  
General Meeting Minutes – DRAFT  
June 12, 2017**

**1) Call to Order:** Co-President Ellen Dubin commenced the meeting at 7:08 pm. Approximately 64 parents were in attendance.

**2) Approval of May 2017 Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were unanimously approved.

**3) Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Heidi Moustakos reported that expenses to date are \$275,000. Income is just over \$355,000, which includes a \$10,000 donation from Vallo and more than \$8,000 in merchandise sales during the June 8 orientation for incoming freshmen.

**4) Sponsors:** PA Meeting sponsors Kweller Prep and Princeton Review gave a brief overview of their services and invited parents to visit their sponsor tables after the meeting.

**5) Approval of 2017-18 Budget:** Co-President Ellen Dubin went over the proposed 2017-18 budget, which had been presented to the PA at the May meeting. She answered a few questions about the school's wi-fi, water fountains and filters, and paper towels in the bathrooms. A parent asked about oversight of the PA budget. Co-Presidents Dubin and Newberry explained that the budget is reviewed monthly by the PA Executive Board, and that the treasurer presents a budget report at every PA meeting. In addition, every check from the PA requires two signatures.

The 2017-18 budget was unanimously approved.

**6) PA Executive Board and SLT Elections:** The following parents were elected to serve on the PA Executive Board for the 2017-18 school year:

Co-Presidents: Elizabeth Langwith, Monica Toriello

First VP: Amy Davidson

Second VP: Charissa Fernandez

Treasurer: Lisa Donohoe

Asst. Treasurer: Carey Barclay

Co-Recording Secretaries: Madeleine Dobie, Pamela Godwin, Rachel Hall-Danes

Corresponding Secretary: Cathy Israelevitz

Members at Large: Ricci Garcia, Weimin Huang, Jennifer Lee, Betsy Newberry, Paula Smeu

Due to some confusion about the number of SLT seats that needed to be filled, the SLT election was postponed until further notice.

**7) Important Upcoming Dates:**

June 13-22 – Regents Exams for students

June 23 – Regents Rating Day (no school for students)

June 26 – Eid al-Fitr (school closed)

June 28 – Last day of school; early dismissal

**8) Panel discussion:** During a lively and entertaining panel discussion, Bronx Science alumni Henry Perez '16, Harry Shapiro '14, Vivian Ye '16, and Halle Young '16 shared their reflections on their experiences at Bronx Science and the transition to college. They gave candid advice and answered parents' and students' questions about schoolwork, drugs and alcohol, mental health, hygiene, roommates, and other assorted topics.

**9) Adjournment:** Co-President Elizabeth Newberry adjourned the meeting at around 8:45 pm.

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