



**Minutes of the  
December 14, 2017  
PS 185 PTA Meeting**

**I. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the November 16, 2017 meeting were approved. Minutes are posted on the school's website and the PS 185 Parents page on Facebook.

**II. President's Report**

Welcome from Lara Bianchi (Co-President)

Book of the Month (One copy per class)--Looking for parents to sponsor (co-sponsor) a month. Otherwise PTA will fund.

- January--Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson (Donated by Madelynn Liguori-Linkh and Jennifer Mennella and families)
- February: A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon: \$76 (19 copies (We have 11 already) at \$4.00--Scholastic Book Club Flyer --Firefly December) -- Family has volunteered
- March: The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett and Gary Rubinstein: \$208.71 (30 copies at \$6.39 + .57 tax each--Amazon price)--Family has volunteered
- April: Enemy Pie by Derek Munson \$120 (30 copies at \$4 each--Scholastic Book Club)
- May: The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires: \$225.04 (30 copies at \$6.89 + .61 tax each--Amazon price)
- June: Incredible You! 10 Ways to let your greatness shine through by Dr. Wayne W. Dyer: \$421.34 (30 copies at \$12.90 + \$1.14 tax each--Amazon price)

Teachers College Book Drive--Spearheaded by Nicole Kabel. Letters were sent home and were sent by Class Parents. Books can be purchased through the Bookmark Shoppe. Please help support our school.

Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

- December 11th to January 19th: Food Drive
- December 20th: NIA After school Parent Orientation Meeting 5PM
- December 22nd: School Spirit Day (Wear an Ugly Holiday Sweater or T-Shirt)
- December 22nd: No After school or Enrichment Programs

- Winter Recess (December 25th to January 1st)--School Re-opens January 2, 2018
- January 2nd: NIA Program begins
- January 5th: Chip Friday
- January 12th: Brain Show
- January 18th: Parent teacher Conferences 4:30 to 7:30PM
- January 23rd: PTA Meeting 6:30PM

## **II. Treasurer's Report**

Opening Balance \$34,535.14

Closing Balance \$47,571.94 (Not include the \$6,000 check due to Scholastic)

Class Act Photo \$5,130 in profit (Thank you to our Photography Committee Chairs Sophia Lambrakis Madimenos and Lia Athineos)

Book Fair made \$2905.48 (Thank you to our Book Fair Chairs Madelynn Liguori-Linkh and Jennifer Mennella)

Movie Night made \$912.73 (Thank you to our Family Fun Night Committee Chair Holly Nakleh)

## **III. Principal's Report**

PS 185 had many Gold and Silver medalists for the neighborhood's Halloween art contest. Thanks to Ms. King.

NIA After school will begin on January 2nd. Letters went out to all children chosen.

PS 185 will continue to offer our After school program and our After School Enrichment programs. Working on a Theater Enrichment to be supervised by Mrs. Raleigh.

This semester's After School Enrichment will be ending next week.

College Day will be in January. More information to follow.

While PS 185 does not have a Gifted and Talented program, PS 185 still provides the test to those that have registered with DOE.

Looking for volunteers to help tutor children during the day. Please contact Mrs. Meahl if you are interested.

Grades 3/4/5 will be attending a performance of the Nutcracker at Fort Hamilton High School on December 21st.

December 22nd is Ugly Sweater day for both students and staff.

#### **IV. Parent Coordinator Report**

None

#### **V. Committee Reports**

Vanessa Hairston, a member of the Graduation Committee, announced the winner of the Beats Headphones--Michael G. 1-303. Thanks to everyone that participated in this fundraiser.

#### **VI. New Business**

None

#### **VII. Open Forum**

None

**PTA Meeting was followed by a performance by the PS 185 Chorus. Thank you to Mrs. Esposito and the members of the Chorus.**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Volunteer for various committees at:  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094ea5a628a2ff2-ptacommittees>
- Stay connected on Facebook at: PS 185 Parent Page (Please remember to answer the questions!)
- Help us raise money by using the following Amazon link:  
[https://www.amazon.com/?ie=UTF8&ref\\_=gno\\_logo&\\_encoding=UTF8&tag=p1p03-20&linkCode=ur2&camp=1789&creative=390957](https://www.amazon.com/?ie=UTF8&ref_=gno_logo&_encoding=UTF8&tag=p1p03-20&linkCode=ur2&camp=1789&creative=390957)
- Keep sending those Box Tops in!! Each one earns 10 cents for PS 185. Send in an envelope or ziploc, to the attention of the PTA: Box Tops.