

# P.S./I.S. 78Q PTA

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## Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2021 | 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by K. Craig

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### In Attendance

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Attendees: 35 people including below

PTA Exec Board: K. Craig, F. Bruno, C. Mendoza, E. Allen, A. Nair, A. Ziffer and A. Shum

SLT: A. Galan

School admin: L. Pavone, D. Rombone, J. Drinankle, E. Montalvo

Elected: Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer

P.S./I.S. 78Q February PTA Meeting

Held on zoom on Wednesday, February, 10th

Floor opened: 18:30 EST

Call to order by K. Craig: 18:31 EST

January meeting minutes - approved

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### Council Member Van Bramer

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Discussed importance of Civil Rights discussion for school by Ernest and MacKenzie Green that took place on Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Discussed burden of home school and difficulties of the pandemic.

Pledged \$50,000 to school.

Pledged to cover \$15,600 for the Mandarin Program.

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### Principal's Update

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Principal Pavone thanked Ernest and MacKenzie Green for the Zoom session on Civil Rights.

Back to school

MS building opened Feb 11 - Group A will be in person.

Feb 22nd - school reopens after mid-winter recess - Group B will in person.

Feb 24th - MS teachers for Grades 6 to 8 will be in school.

Feb 25th - Group A students for Grades 6 to 8 will be in person.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Dates and timing to come shortly.

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## SLT

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State grant for parent workshops received - sessions are set up and teachers will send out flyers with dates.  
Workshop agenda will be learning and support based for parents on how to provide support to students with remote learning.

Grading will be more robust than pass but there will be no fail grade, instead student will be given "promotion in doubt".

Results from iReady diagnostic tool is what DOE is going use to review student, grade and school metrics.

School score for ELA is 66% which is above City level, and for math is 60% which is at level.

Possible technology / typing lessons or assignments are in discussion with teachers.

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## Treasurers' Report

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Treasurers' report reviewed. Please refer to slides 8 and 9 for details.

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## Additional Topics

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### Council Member Van Bramer

Pledged \$50,000 this year to the school for admin to allocate as see fit.  
Provided support to Mandarin program for 3rd and 4th graders, \$15,600.

### March PTA event and fundraiser

Paint n sip on March 5th  
Kits provided by ArtStrong.  
Food and beverage discounts from local businesses.

### Proposed fundraisers

Paint n sip for adults in April.  
St. Patrick's day craft packs.  
Read-a-thon for Spring Break.  
Possible spring race event.

### School pictures

Will be held outdoors on April 22nd and 23rd and will be individual pictures only.  
Aiming to get caps and gowns for 8th graders to take graduation pictures.

### Future dates

School closures and important dates - refer to slide 14.  
Next PTA meeting will be held on March 24th at 18:30 EST.

Questions sessions closed at 19:26 EST.

Meeting adjourned at 19:27 EST.

Next PTA meeting will be held on Zoom on Wednesday, March 24th, 2021.