

**Hybrid - PS 31 PTA Meeting - Friday, January 23rd , 2026 8:15AM - 9:15AM**  
**Meeting Agenda/Notes**

**PTA Executive Board Members Present**

Lauren Fernandes, CO-President  
Francoise Olivas, CO-President  
Michal Motykiewicz, Treasurer  
Kayla Santos-Cobo , CO-Secretary  
Tiffany Villacis, CO-Secretary  
Amy Yip-Ng , Board Member - Marketing  
Natalie Gabriel, Board Member - Assemblies

**Meeting Norms - Natalie Gabriel, Board Member**

Meeting Norms were reviewed

**Motion to Approve December Meeting Notes**

The notes from the December meeting have been approved.

- First Motion: Despina Saukin
- Second Motion: Cindy Sink

**School Update - Principal Scarlato**

- Grades K–5 have just completed the i-Ready assessment, which measures student growth from the beginning of the year to the middle of the year.
- Music Shows
  - 4th grade – Tuesday, 2/3
  - 3rd grade – Wednesday, 2/4
  - 5th grade – Thursday, 2/5
- Someone Special Dance - February 6th
  - Pre-K, Kindergarten, and 1st grade: 2:40–3:50 p.m
  - 2nd through 5th grade: 4:15–5:30 p.m
- Career Week / Respect for All Week will be held from February 9th–13th
  - Tuesday, 2/10: 1st and 4th Grade Gallery Walk, 8:20–8:50 a.m
  - Wednesday, 2/11: Kindergarten, 3rd Grade, and B-203 Gallery Walk, 8:20–8:50 a.m.
  - Thursday, 2/12: 2nd Grade, 5th Grade, and B-304 Gallery Walk, 8:20–8:50 a.m
- Disney Show
  - Auditions will begin next week
  - Practices will be held Wednesday through Friday, from February 4th through May, between 2:25 p.m – 3:55 p.m
- Testing
  - NYC State testing for grades 3–5 will be computer-based this year for the first time.
  - ELA testing will take place April 14–15.

- Math testing will be April 28–29.
- The 5th grade Science test will be on May 12
- Graduation
  - Pre-K and Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony: 6/25
  - 5th Grade Awards Ceremony: Monday, 6/22
  - 5th Grade Graduation: 6/23 at 9:30 a.m. Location - (M.S. 126)
  - 5th Grade Senior Trip: 6/24 to Dave & Buster's
  - 5th Grade Senior Dance: 6/25 (not a prom; no gowns or suits)
  - Diploma Distribution: 6/26 in the school yard

### **Miss. Kara's Update - Kara Manber, Parent Coordinator**

- Kara: Virtual AI workshop hosted by the district on Tuesday, 2/27, from 6:00–7:30 p.m.
- Additional workshops will be coming to the school.
- 2/27: Lice Health will be visiting (Library)
- 2/5: FDNY Hands-Only CPR training — full with 25 families registered
- March: Virtual presentation on summer camps (free and paid) at 6:30 p.m
- Family Cooking Workshop: 2:30–4:30 p.m. (time to be confirmed; allergy-friendly focus).
- K-4 Activate your Scholarship Program

### **Budget & Finances - Michal Motykieicz, Treasurer**

Budget and Finances were reviewed

### **Game Night - Amy Yip-Ng , Board Member**

- Berry Park from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Food & Beverage available for purchase
- \$10 a card to play
- Berry Park has created a kids' menu

### **Roaring 20's Gala - Lauren Fernandes, CO-President & Tannya Bautista**

- Theme: Roaring 20's
- March 27th, 7:00–11:00 p.m. at Princess Manor (open bar)

#### **Ticket pricing:**

- Presale: \$130 through March 1st
- \$150 until the following Monday
- \$160 at the door
- Sponsor a teacher or staff member
- Use the PTA Rewards Program for discounted tickets. Volunteers should email the PTA to receive a personalized discount code.

### **Kids Party - Francoise Olivas, CO-President**

- Theme : Space Disco
- May 1st, at Panna LIC - Time TBA

- Volunteers needed

## Q&A

**Next Meeting Thursday, February 26th Virtual 6:30 p.m - 7:30 p.m**

**Meeting Notes 1/23/26  
Kayla Santos-Cobo & Tiffany Viillacis, Co-Secretaries**

