

**THE RIVERVIEW SCHOOL (P277Q)**  
**PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING**  
**April 15th, 2026 at 6:30 PM**

1. **ATTENDEES** 21 attendees
  
2. **WELCOME** - Ivery Taylor. Spanish interpreters were in attendance.
  
3. **MEETING MINUTES** - Ivery Taylor
  - a. March 11th, 2026 meeting minutes were shared. Motion to accept the minutes made by Ivery Taylor. Motion seconded by Heather Sciacca.
  
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT** - Heather Sciacca
  - a. TD Bank balance as of April 15, 2026: \$8057.09.
  - b. Some outstanding invoices are pending.
  - c. Motion to accept financial report made by Ivery Taylor. Motion seconded Arlene Soto.
  
5. **SLT MEETING REPORT** - Vanessa Alayon
  - a. SLT meeting was held on April 14, 2026 at 8:30am @ 78
  - b. Chairperson AP Kevin McElroy opened the meeting with Riverview's mission statement: "277Q's instruction focus is to EmP.O.W.E.R. students by providing them with the skills and strategies to read, write, speak and listen in a way that allows them to communicate and engage in their communities as global citizens."
  - c. Principal report
    - i. Principal Beale is putting great emphasis on Riverview's instruction mantra. Superintendents and other guests visit Riverview and ask about it. It is important all staff know the statement.
    - ii. The budget is closing this week. The focus is on purchasing supplies for summer school, cleaning supplies and opening day preparations.
    - iii. A few more paras have been hired but that window is closing soon.
    - iv. Parent SLT members attended instructional rounds at 78. Principal Beale discussed how important it is to see things from the parent's perspective.
    - v. Principal Beale thanked everyone for helping to make the visit by Chancellor Kamar Samuels a spectacular event.
    - vi. Riverview will be entering Year 1 phase of NYC Solves. AP Almeida Phillips will be leading.
    - vii. Summer school theme will be celebrating the 250th American Anniversary. Topics will be the past, present and future of our country. And, of course, a red, white and blue theme.
  - d. You OTTER Know - Upcoming Event
    - i. April 15-17                      311 - Blocks to the Future
    - ii. April 21-23                     404 Disney Concert
    - iii. April 22                         Spelling Bee @ 78 for Elementary and Middle
    - iv. April 24                         Debate Team Playoffs - virtual link

- v. April 24 Dance Festival - streamed live
- vi. April 25 Parent Retreat - there are 20 seats left if anyone interested
- vii. April 28 Neurodiversity Walk at Grover Cleveland, Rain date 4/29
- viii. April 29 District 75 Poetry Event
- ix. April 30 Student of the Month @ 290
- x. May 2 Special Olympics Long Island Games
- xi. May 13 PTA General Meeting and Elections
- xii. May 16 Spring Carnival

## 6. PARENT COORDINATOR REPORT- Lisandra Aviles

- a. Parent Retreat Join us for a day away just for parents to relax, connect, recharge, and enjoy. If you would like to join please put your name and contact information on the chat box or you can as well email me at [LAviles11@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:LAviles11@schools.nyc.gov)
- b. **NYC School Survey:** Please complete the survey. Before April 17,2026  
Contact me if you need help.
- c. **April 20, 2026,** A Town Hall Meeting event with Chancellor Kamar H Samuels.
- d. **Fathers Health & Wellness Expo** May 2 , 2026 Free massages, motivational speakers,music, lunch, cooking lesson

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORT - YOU OTTER KNOW!

- a. **EVENTS** - Ivery Taylor
  - i. Spring Carnival - Saturday, May 16, 2026
  - ii. Field Day! Volunteers needed to help out at our Lemonade Stand.
  - iii. If interested in helping out please reach out. Our contact info is on the left.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS - Ivery Taylor

- a. Elections for the 2026-2027 school year are coming up.
  - i. New Executive Board Elections for President or Co-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President and Corresponding Secretary. A new position of Financial Secretary may be created pending an update to the bylaws.
  - ii. We will also have elections for 2 SLT seats.
  - iii. If you are interested in nominating someone else or yourself please reach out to the PTA via the information on the screen.

## 9. OPEN DISCUSSION

- a. A parent asked about donating money for the Spring Carnival. You can send in child's backpack in enclosed envelope. Indicate what the money is for, so that when it its collected by the studen't teacher and handed over to school's unit coordinator, they know who to give the money to. Zelle is also an option. The email address was placed in the chat.
- b. Another parent asked in chat if there was a flyer for the carnival. No flyer yet, but one will be going out soon.

- c. Again if any parents are still interested in the retreat, please contact the PTA or the Parent Coordinator. There are 20 seats still available.
  - i. Retreat is on a Saturday. The coach bus will be driving us to NJ. Camp will have different activities, like hiking, archery and arts and crafts. Free lunch will be provided, a BBQ style buffet. Then end the day with Smores in a camp fire. Then return to the main site. (Parent Coordinator, Lisandra Aviles)

#### **10. MEETING ADJOURNED**

- a. Call to end the meeting. Motion to adjourn made by Ivery Taylor. Motion seconded by Ingrid Caicedo-Guzman.
- b. The next meeting will be May 13th at 6:30pm. Elections and General Meeting.
  - i. If you have anything you would like to discuss at the next meeting, please contact us via email, text, Whatsapp, ClassDojo, etc.
- c. The meeting ended at 7:15pm.

**The meeting was virtual, conducted and recorded via ZOOM.**