

November 13, 2018 PTSA meeting minutes,

Meeting was called to to order at 5:32 pm and a Quorum was established.

1. Welcome by Christine Gay, PTSA Vice President
2. Administrative Update by Ms. Diaz

Lower Academy Ms. Diaz, Asst. Principal

- iPrep magnet application is now open. You can submit your applications at miamimagnets.org. Please make sure if you have a sibling to include sibling preference. Now sibling preference is both for older and younger siblings. You will need your child's student Id number that is currently at iPrep and select sibling preference.
- Welcome Mr. Carvalho
- Mr. Carvalho open to questions.
 - Lauri PTSA President- on behalf of other parents asked about the idea of a crosswalk, Mr. Carvalho said the city is resisting on this.
 - Parent- Noticed that the resource officer was staying later. Mr. Carvalho said that we are paying for him to stay until 6pm every day with aftercare money.
 - Christina- question about the homeless people. Mr Carvalho said that the worry was more about the opioid epidemic and about making sure that there were no needles or drugs left behind. We have people walking the area before school to make sure that there is no danger to our children. Parents please have open and honest conversations with your children. If they see something do not pick anything up, but to notify teachers and school staff immediately.
 - Someone asked about the future of iPrep. Mr Carvalho's vision is we will continue to expand internally we will expand on the third floor. Eventually we will relocate. If that happens we will move 2 blocks north of where we are now. There will be no interruption of school what so ever when that happens. He said a minimum expedited time line of 3 years. His vision is that we will have a school that will take our children from birth to PK to 14 or 2 years after Senior. That our kids will have the chance to have 2 years of college before they leave I-Prep.
 - Someone asked about Mr Carvalho supporting 362. He said it will continue once he fully heals from an injured calf muscle.
 - Please sign up for the Superintendents 5K which is April 13th.
 - Please support the Valentines Day Gala.
- Ms Diaz - Report Cards went home this week. If you see excessive tardies or absences please call the school.
 - PK, Kinder, and 1st grade start at 8:20 am and end at 1:50 pm
 - 2nd - 5th grades start at 8:35 am and end at 3:05 pm
 - Please have your children to school at the times listed above. Other wise children will be counted as tardy.
- Thanks to the PTSA for a great Harvest Fest
- We want to congratulate Ms Stone as she won Teacher of the Year
- We want to congratulate Ken Arrison as Rookie Teacher of the Year

Upper Academy Ms. Gonzalez, Asst. Principal

- Upper Academy starts at 8:00 am please have your child to school on time.
- Free Hot Breakfast every day
- Tours of I-Prep for December 13th are still available. If anyone you know is interested in having a tour of the school. 119 have registered so far. You can bring kids. This is a night tour.

- register online at ipreacademy.com
 - Miami Bookfair
 - Homecoming Dance Friday November 30th
 - Field trip forms going out tomorrow for Art Basel
 - Career Change is back into the classrooms and will be staying with iPrep
3. Ratification of September 3, 2018 PTSA minutes, which were posted on the iprepptsa.org website were ratified and approved by a vote of members.
 4. Treasurer's Report/PTSA Budget 2018-2019, Jocelyn
 - On hand \$29,336.65
 - Harvest Fest Profits for 2018 \$3467.30
 5. Upcoming Events
 - Square Art - Last day to Order is November 16th
 - No School November 21-23
 - Holiday Shows - School Board Auditorium
 - Wednesday, 12/12/18 - 9am K, 12 pm 1st grade
 - Thursday, 12/13/18 - 9 am PK, 1pm 2nd grade
 - Friday, 12/14/18 - 9am 5th grade, 11am 4th grade, 1pm 3rd grade
 - Yearbooks on sale now - buy dedication page by February 1, 2019
 - Save the Date - iPrep Picnic March 16, 2019
 - Parents Night Out - date TBD Spring 2019
 6. Roger spoke to everyone about the importance of staying in your cars during drop off and pick up. This is a huge safety issue to our children. Please have all belonging in the car next to your child not in the trunk or back of your car. The drop off line is to pull in and your child will be helped out of the car. Parents getting out of their cars stalls the line and causes a backup of traffic onto NE 2nd ave. We can not stress the importance of this enough. It is for the safety of our children.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:13 pm.

Recording Secretary
Roger Israel-Sanchez