

**WPESA General Meeting**  
**September 26, 2017**  
**West Patent Library**

Attended: Steering Committee Members, Bridget McNamee, Lowell Moustakas, Deena DeMarco, Audrey Weiner, Stephanie Rosenthal  
Teacher Representative: Mrs. Galloway  
Principal: Mrs. Berezowsky  
Families of Students

- Introductions of Steering Committee Members, Teacher Representative and Mrs. Berezowsky
- Bridget discussed:
  - WPESA we are all member with NO dues, PTO that sponsors and sets up and runs different activities and events, support education and learning activities including field trips and in school author visits
  - Please share your talents, e-mail a chairperson to help on a committee
  - Coin Drive
  - Harlem Wizards
  - Ecomm
  - Fox Night was district wide and supported by WPESA
  - Pancake Breakfast supports the 5th grade and WPESA with raffles and auctions.
  - Photo Days
- Committee Members Needed:
  - Parent's Night Out
  - Pancake Breakfast Business Ads
- Budget
  - Overview
  - Motion to approve was made by Cyndi David and 2nd by all attending
- WPESA Facebook Page
  - Check it out for information
- Book Fair and Halloween Social are coming up
- Recess Gardening Club is a new opportunity to volunteer and work with the children
- Steering Committee
  - Voted for new Fundraising Chair
  - Ranjani Sirdeshmukh was voted in
- Mrs. Berezowsky:
  - Enrollment is down by 25 students and we are currently at 325 students
  - She read a letter to the Steering Committee about October 24th being West Patent Elementary School Day of Celebration for being a 2017 National School of Character with a ribbon cutting ceremony at 1:30
  - The students and their families will be asked to collect school supplies for Puerto Rico
  - The school will be honored in Washington D.C. on October 21

- She briefly discussed state test scores and mentioned that she was “proud of how students performed” but that they will see “what we can do to maximize potential”
- Parent Coffees to meet with Mrs. Berezowsky and talk informally:
  - 10/12 6:30 pm for grade K-5
  - 10/19 9:15 am for 4th and 5th grades
  - 11/2 9:15 am for 2nd and 3rd grades
  - 11/9 9:15 am for Kindergarten and 1st grades
- Next Meeting will be held on February 6th associated with WPESA’s Wellness Event
- Motion to close the meeting was made by Deena DeMarco and 2nd by Alicia Hoffman