



Bulletin

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Message From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Open School Week occurs during the later part of this month. I strongly encourage parents of all grades to attend these important conferences. This is your opportunity to forge a relationship with your child's teachers. It is also important for you to demonstrate to your child that education is so important that you have taken your valuable time to come to school.

During the first three days of Open School Week you have an opportunity to visit your child's classes to see the type and level of instruction we provide. I urge you to take advantage of this unique opportunity. The second half of the week provides time for individual parent-teacher

conferences. Guidelines for these activities can be found elsewhere in this bulletin.

On Wednesday of Open School Week we will distribute report cards. Stuyvesant now provides individual subject class attendance as well as official school attendance. Please compare these numbers to ensure that your daughter/son is attending class on a regular basis.

I hope to see and meet you at the monthly PA meeting as well as during Open School Week.

Sincerely,
S. Teitel

PA GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2002 AUDITORIUM

- 6 P.M. Informational Pre-Meeting on Environmental Issues**
- 6:30 P.M. Hospitality**
- 7 P.M. Business Meeting**
Elections: Short presentations by candidates for Member-At-Large and Freshman School Leadership Team positions.
(See p. 3 for list of candidates.)

Voting: Ballot box open from 7:30 to 9 P.M.
- 7:45 P.M. Program**
Senior Parents: "College Information": Pat Cleary, Stuyvesant College Advisor, will cover preparations for the college application process, including applications, timelines, Secondary School Report Folders, students' College Folders, and other essential information.

Freshman, Sophomore & Junior Parents: "Beyond the Course Catalogue: English, Reading and Writing at Stuy": The English Dept. will speak and answer questions on new course offerings, extracurricular opportunities, how writing is taught at Stuy, prep for the 2005 SAT writing component, and more.

You're Invited: You Can Help Out

Open School Week - Oct. 21-23

From Mon., Oct. 21 to Wed., Oct. 23, the three days before the parent-teacher conferences, Stuyvesant parents are invited to sit in on their child's classes during school hours. It is a great experience, putting parents in touch with topics of the day in education and listening in on some interesting discussions. As an alternative to attending the same class as their child, parents can attend a class taught by that student's teacher but at a different time. Additionally, parents can attend classes their child might take next year. By participating in this event, parents show their interest in good teaching and subjects that are being taught. To help visiting parents find student schedules and locate classrooms, the PA is looking for parent volunteers during school hours. To volunteer, please contact Dorothy Schuster (718-834-9346 or schuster285@aol.com) or Felice Perlman (212-666-9887 or fjperlman@rcn.com).

Faculty Reception Volunteers Needed

On the night of the parent-teacher conferences, the PA hosts a light supper for the teachers. Volunteers are needed to set up, serve and clean up between 3 and 6 p.m. on Thursday, October 24. To volunteer, please contact Dorothy Schuster (718-834-9346 or schuster285@aol.com) or Felice Perlman (212-666-9887 or fjperlman@rcn.com). All parents can participate by sending a dessert with your student the morning of October 24 to be delivered to Peggy Harvey, Room 211. Kosher desserts are welcome, as are other ethnic specialties. Please label your dessert and include your name, address, student's name and grade. Thank you.

--Dorothy Schuster

Fall Term Calendar

October

Mon., Oct. 7	School Leadership Team 3:30 PM
Tues., Oct. 8	Executive Board 6:45 PM
Sat., Oct. 12	SAT
Mon., Oct. 14	Columbus Day - No school
Tues., Oct. 15	PA General Meeting 7–9 PM (Informational Pre-Meeting on environmental issues 6-7 PM & PA Hospitality 6:30–7 PM)
Sat., Oct. 19	PSATs
Oct. 21–23	Open School Week
Oct. 24-25	Parent-Teacher Conferences
Oct. 26 & 27	Specialized High School Exam

November

Tues., Nov. 5	Election Day- No school
Mon., Nov. 11	Veterans Day - No school
Tues., Nov. 12	Executive Board 6:45 PM
Tues., Nov. 19	PA General Meeting 7–9 PM (PA Hospitality 6:30–7 PM)
Nov. 28–29	Thanksgiving Recess

December

Fri., Dec. 13	Staff Development. No school
Tues., Dec. 10	Executive Board 6:45 PM
Tues., Dec. 17	PA General Meeting 7–9 PM (PA Hospitality 6:30–7 PM)
Dec. 23-Jan. 1	School Closed - Winter Recess

January

Thurs., Jan. 2	School Reopens
Tues., Jan. 14	Executive Board 6:45 PM
Mon., Jan. 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No school
Tues., Jan. 21	PA General Meeting 7–9 PM (PA Hospitality 6:30–7 PM)
Fri., Jan. 31	Fall Term ends. No school

Executive Board Note: Meetings of the Stuyvesant High School Parents' Association Executive Board are held at Stuyvesant on the second Tuesday of each month, starting at 6:45 p.m. Meetings are scheduled for the following dates during the 2002–2003 school year: Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 11, April 8, May 13 and June 10.

Health & Safety Committee Note: Beginning at 6 P.M. on Oct. 15, immediately prior to our regular monthly meeting, the PA will host an informational meeting about Health and Safety at Stuyvesant. The environmental experts hired by the PA will be available to answer questions about the work done in the school this summer and the current status of clean up. Please use the "contact us" button on our web site (www.stuy-pa.org) to let us know questions you would like addressed that night.

--David Ross, Chair, Health and Safety Committee

Don't Be Left Out Of the Stuyvesant Parent/Student Directory

The PA produces a Parent/Student Directory, listing the names, addresses and telephone numbers of Stuyvesant students and their parents. We are updating the directory now and invite you to be included. Due to privacy issues, the school cannot provide us with the necessary information. Therefore, the only way to be included in the Directory is for you to provide the information. Please fill out the form in this issue of the bulletin, or pick up a form at the October PA meeting. (PA dues are not a prerequisite for inclusion in the directory.) If you were included in a previous directory you will automatically be included this year. Please submit a new form if you need to update your information. Directories are available at PA events throughout the year.

Help Wanted: Webmaster for PA Website

The Stuyvesant PA is looking for someone to gradually take over the PA website over the coming school year (2002–2003). Knowledge of FTP, HTML, PDF, and web services is a must. ASP or other programming language is welcome. Currently two parents of seniors have been maintaining the site, posting meeting minutes, bulletins, and environmental updates, as well as keeping up with calendar and news events. Information is sent from the Communications Committee by e-mail, so work can be completed from home.

It does not take more than one to two hours per week. However, as environmental issues wind down, it should be less.

I am currently in the process of putting together some data-driven pages for posting calendar and news events, which should allow non-technical people to post some of the materials. Also welcome would be knowledge of setting up a chat room or list serv for the PA. If you would like to speak with me, please contact Elise Passikoff at 212-255-0703 (in the evenings) or email elisep@nyc.rr.com.

--Elise Passikoff

The Stuyvesant PA Bulletin

The PA Bulletin is published monthly by the Stuyvesant High School Parents' Association. It is mailed to parents one week before most Parents' Association general meetings. Contributions and suggestions are welcome. Please contact Jane Ritter, Bulletin Editor, at jmr719@aol.com.

Many thanks to this month's contributors: Judy Moore and Dale Bernstein, PA co-presidents, Stanley Teitel, principal, Sarah Conly, Joanne Ehrlich, James Lonardo, Carey Meltzer, Agnes Park, Elise Passikoff, Dorothy Schuster and Stephen Zhang.

Stuyvesant PA Website

Information is also available at the Stuyvesant PA website, www.stuy-pa.org. The webmaster is Elise Passikoff.

Contact Info

PA Website	www.stuy-pa.org
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GUIDELINES FOR OPEN SCHOOL WEEK CLASSROOM VISITATIONS

Open School Week is Monday to Wednesday, Oct. 21–23. Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday evening and Friday afternoon. Parents should expect to spend about three minutes with each teacher.

Stuyvesant has an Open School Week policy supporting classroom visitation by parents during the three days before parent-teacher conferences. Parents may visit the school at any time from 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday only, to visit one or more classes. Parent volunteers will be present at tables on the second floor, as you enter the school from the bridge, to give directions and to assist you. We ask that you respect the following guidelines (which will also be handed out at the school):

1. Visitation to classes is to be during Open School Week, Oct. 21–23.
2. Parents should obtain their child's class schedule from their child before coming to school.
3. Parents must enter via the bridge where they can pick up the following:
 - an explanatory handout showing which subjects are generally on which floors and the general bell schedule.
 - the ground rules.
 - departmental chair office numbers and locations.
 - in case parents fail to get their child's schedule from their child in advance, a copy of their child's schedule may be requested at the information table.
4. To avoid disruption of instruction,

Trip Alert

Parents: Stuyvesant does not sanction a "Senior Class Trip" anywhere out of the country. However, each year, including this one, a group of seniors will organize and attend a trip during spring break that they refer to as the Senior Trip. These trips are run entirely by the students without any input, guidance, or official chaperones from Stuyvesant High School, its faculty, or the Department of Education.

We want you to be aware of this fact so that if you sign up for such a trip you are doing it on your own. If you have any further questions or concerns relating to this matter, please feel free to contact Mr. Lonardo at 212-313-4800, ext. 2510.

Note: Participation by your child in any official trip requires your approval on an official parental consent form.

parents are expected to enter a classroom at the beginning of a class, stay for the entire class, and exit at the end of the class.

5. Parents may visit classes other than those their child currently is in.
6. A maximum of five parents may sit in any class. If the class a parent wishes to observe happens to already have five parents in it or if there are five parents ahead in the line, a parent should choose to attend another class during that period and observe the next period of the class he/she missed. Parents may also attend the class of another teacher teaching the same subject or another class — one their child may be considering for the future, or one in which they happen to be interested.
7. At the end of the class, parents should restrict conversation with the teacher to a polite "thank you" or other acknowledgement. Discussions about personal issues must wait for conferences on Thursday and Friday.
8. Departmental Programming Schedules will be posted near the elevators on each floor, as well as at the entrance information table, showing: Teacher's name, Room Number, Course Name and Course Code.
9. Outside of each classroom will be a sheet showing the class periods and the teacher and course in that room during each period.
10. There is to be no eating or drinking in the classroom.
11. If lost, ask a student for directions.
12. At the time of the three-minute parent/teacher conferences, parents feeling the need for more time to converse may give the teacher their phone number and a convenient hour for the teacher to call.

--James Lonardo, Senior Activities Advisor

Official Notice

Stuyvesant High School PA Fall Elections

At the General Meeting of the Parents' Association on Tues., Oct. 15, 2002, elections will be held for Members-at-Large to the PA Executive Board for each class and for representatives to the School Leadership Team from the freshman class. Following is a list of candidates:

Members-at-Large

Senior (1 to be elected)

Tom Barnard
Solomon Kim
Sheldon Stachel
Lissette Velez de Intriago

Junior (1 to be elected)

Melanie Arwin
Kiki Dinos
Bonnie Song

Sophomore (2 to be elected)

Partha Banerjee
Helaine Doran
M. Teresa Goudie
Nam Ki Lee
Elizabeth Lee
Felice Perlman
Marcia Wertheimer

Freshman (3 to be elected)

Vipin Agarwalla
Robert Bazell
Frances Chin-Stevens
Myung Cho
Nancy Diederich
Edward Griffith
Mara Lane
Marina Rosin
Marilyn Schorr
Jay Wiprovnick

Freshman Leadership Team Representatives (2 to be elected)

Martin Davis
Joanne Ehrlich
Barbara K. Gsovski
Doris Hernandez-Murphy
Susan Ross-Osattin
Sue Schneider

College Column – October 2002

The College Office staff has been actively involved with seniors this Fall. They held an assembly on September 9 and visited English classes on October 1 and 2 to review the application process, to remind students how to send scores to colleges and to answer general questions. Students were reminded to check the Bulletin Boards outside the College Office (Room 225) for announcements about deadlines, scholarships, and visits by college representatives.

By now students should have checked their transcripts for accuracy and to be sure they have met graduation require-

ments, requested applications from colleges, completed the SSR update sheets for their SSR writers, and asked two faculty members for letters of recommendation. Students should fill out their College Choice Cards and begin meeting with College Office advisors. All "score choice" Sat II scores that will later be sent to schools should be released by contacting the College Board either by phone or on-line (www.collegeboard.com). Pat Cleary, the director of the College Office, will speak to parents at the PA General Meeting on October 15.

--Sarah Conly

College Column—Translated into Chinese by Stephen Zhang

2002年十月大學專欄

新學年伊始，學校的大學辦公室人員和畢業班學生已經為申請大學開始行動了。在9月9號他們舉行了會議並附帶在十月1號和2號參觀英文班去檢查申請大學的進度，提醒學生怎樣遞送成績去大學和回答一般問題。學生應隨時留意張貼在大學辦公室的告示欄(225號房)有關各類截止期的通知。獎學金的申請。會晤大學代表。現時，學生應該檢查他們的成績單是否正確。保證送到學校的所有要求，索取大學申請表，為他們的SSR更新資料。要求二位他們最愛的老師為他們寫推薦信。學生應開始填寫他們的大學選擇表。同時可給會晤大學辦公室的顧問。所有的“成績選擇”SAT II的成績稍後將會送到學校通過電話或上網(網址：www.collegeboard.com)聯繫。

Pat Cleary — 大學辦公室的指導員將會在十月15號的家長會上和大家見面。

以下是十月份以後的時間表：

10月1號和2號 — 學生班的大學討論會在英文課舉行。

10月4號 — 學生申請 early Decision/early action 在大學辦公室登記截止日。

10月9號 — 截止日，所有登記在11月2號參加SAT I和SAT II考試。(加收退報名費)。

10月12號 — SAT I和SAT II考試日。

10月15號 — 申請 Early Decision/Early action 的學生遞交他們的中學報告書到大學辦公室。

10月19號 — PSAT考試日。

十一月份時間表：

11月1號 — 參加12月7號 SAT I和SAT II考試登記截止日。

11月1號和4號 — 回報紐約州立大學首日。

11月2號 — SAT I和SAT II考試日。

11月7號8號 — 回報紐約州立大學首日。

11月11號至22號 — 以11月1號為截止期的學校遞交你的SSR文件到學校的大學辦公室。

11月13號 — 截止日，所有遞送登記參加12月7號SAT I和SAT II考試(加收退報名費)

十二月份時間表：

12月2號至3號 — 回報紐約州立大學次日。

12月7號 — SAT I和SAT II考試日。

12月23號 — 參加1月25號SAT I和SAT II考試登記截止日。

2003年1月份時間表：

在1月1號後回報學生的財政援助表。但不能在1月1號前。

1月2號 — 截止日，所有遞送登記參加1月25號SAT I和SAT II考試(加收退報名費)

1月2號 — 以1月15號或稍後為截止日的學校遞交你的SSR文件到學校的大學辦公室。

1月2號, 3號 — 回報紐約州立大學次日。

1月6號至7號 — 回報紐約州立大學第三日。

1月10號至24號 — 學期中期報告書遞交大學辦公室。

1月25號 — SAT I和SAT II考試日。

College Column – October 2002– Deadlines

OCTOBER

Oct 1&2: Senior College Seminars in English classes
Oct 4: Deadline for students applying Early Decision or Early Action to sign up in the College Office
Oct 9: Deadline for late registration for Nov 2nd SAT I and II (additional fee)
Oct 12: SAT I and SAT II are administered
Oct 15: Secondary School Report forms of Early Decision/Early Action applicants due in the College Office
Oct 19: PSAT is administered

NOVEMBER

Nov 1: Deadline for Dec 7th SAT I & SAT II registration
Nov 1&4: First filing dates for SUNY
Nov 2: SAT I and SAT II are administered
Nov 7&8: First filing dates for CUNY
Nov 11-22: SSR envelopes for schools with January 1st or earlier deadlines due in the College Office
Nov 13: Deadline for late registration for Dec 7th SAT I and SAT I (additional fee)

DECEMBER

Dec 2&3: Second filing dates for SUNY
Dec 7: SAT I & II are administered
Dec 23: Deadline for Jan 25th SAT I & SAT II registration

JANUARY

File FAFSA (financial aid) forms as soon as possible after Jan 1, but not before 1/1.
Jan 2: Deadline for late registration for Jan 25th SAT I & II (additional fee)
Jan 2: SSR envelopes for schools with January 15th or later deadlines due in the College Office
Jan 2&3: Second filing dates for CUNY applications
Jan 6&7: Third filing dates for SUNY
Jan 10-24 Midyear report envelopes due in the College Office
Jan 25: SAT I & SAT II are administered

THE MOST VALUABLE TOOL FOR UNDERSTANDING THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS IS

THE STUYVESANT COLLEGE HANDBOOK. Families are asked to look in The College Handbook for answers to questions about deadlines and filling in forms. The College Office has very limited resources and time and must devote both to responding to problems and concerns not dealt with in the handbook.

College Column—Translated into Korean by Agnes Park

마감날짜:

10 월

10/1 일 & 2 일: 최종 학년 영어 세미나
10/4: 선결된 학생들이거나 대학이 이미 결정된 학생들 등록 마감일
10/9: 11 월 2 일 SAT I & II 최종 등록 마감일(추가비용 징수)
10/12: SAT I & SAT II 시험일
10/15: 2 차 지망 결정된 학생들이거나 2 차 후기 대학 결정된 학생들 등록 마감
10/19: PSAT 시험일

11 월

11/1: 12 월 7 일 SAT I & SAT II 등록일
11/1 & 4: SUNY 일차 접수
11/2: SAT I & SAT II 시험일
11/7 & 8: CUNY 일차 접수
11/11 – 22: 1 월 1 일 개강대학이나 2 차 후기 지망대 결정 서류전형일
11/13: 12 월 7 일 SAT I & SAT II 등록 마감일(추가비용 징수)

12 월

12/2 & 3: SUNY 이차 접수
12/7: SAT I & SAT II 시험일
12/23: 1 월 25 일 SAT I & SAT II 등록 마감일

1 월

1 월 1 일 이후 학비 보조 (FAFSA) 제반 서류전형일, 1 월 1 일 이전은 불가
1/2: 1 월 25 일 SAT I & SAT II 마지막 등록 마감(추가비용 징수)
1/2: 1 월 15 일 개강대학이나 2 차 후기 지망대 결정 서류전형 마감일
1/2 & 3: CUNY 2 차 접수
1/6 & 7: SUNY 3 차 접수
1/10 – 24: 상반기 리포트 대학내 접수
1/25: SAT I & SAT II 시험일

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**DRAFT Minutes
Stuyvesant High School Parents' Association
General Meeting
Sept. 17, 2002**

Judy Moore, co-president of the Parents' Association, called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. She asked for a motion to change the agenda, moving the film clip of "With Their Eyes" to the end of the meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

Judy introduced Schools Chancellor Joel Klein.

Mr. Klein said he wanted to assure parents that the Stuyvesant building was clean and safe, saying he would not have authorized the building's opening on Sept. 5 if he did not think it was safe. He said his staff had been in contact with officials of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the city's Department of Health and that results of extensive testing consistently showed the building to be clean. He also said that carpets and drapes will be removed and that the Department of Education (DoE) will continue to monitor the school environment.

Judy thanked the Chancellor for attending the meeting. She said the PA's Health and Safety Committee would report later in the evening and that parents could ask questions then.

Judy introduced David Ross, the PA's second vice-president and parliamentarian. David reviewed basic elements of Robert's Rules of Order, saying parliamentary procedures would be followed as necessary to ensure fair and business-like meetings.

Co-presidents' Report and Announcements (Judy Moore).

Judy gave the co-president's report, as follows:

- she acknowledged the difficulties of the past year and said she was glad the school was open and the children were well.
- she said the PA will continue to pursue outstanding issues related to the cleanup of the building, but will seek to balance those efforts with work on other issues.
- she encouraged parents to sign up for committees, to check the website for updates and to sign up for the Parent Directory.
- She listed dates for Parent-Teacher conferences (Oct. 24 & 25), Open School Week (Nov. 10 – 16)[correction: Open School at Stuyvesant is Oct. 21-23, before Parent-Teacher conferences], and the homecoming football game (Sun., Oct. 6 at Erasmus HS).
- She said the book *With Their Eyes* is on sale outside the auditorium. The book is the text of a play produced by Stuyvesant teacher Annie Thoms and her students.

Judy announced the names of committee chairs: Appropriations—Donovan Moore; College—Karen Money; Communications—Jane Ritter; Family Orientation—Ellen Freudenheim; Faculty Reception—Felice Perlman and Dorothy Schuster; Hospitality—Pearl Schoenfeld and Ellen Rosenblatt; Intel/Research—Bonnie Song; Membership Outreach—Joy Lall, Young Mi Suh and Steven Zhang; Phonathon/Fundraising—Harvey Blumm and Jennifer Chiang; Program—Carey Meltzer, and Scholarship—Anne Kostick

A motion was made and seconded to approve the list of committee chairs. Discussion included:

- a request for the qualifications of the appointed people.
- an observation that committee appointments have not been

questioned in the past.

- a request to offer alternative candidates.
- a suggestion that because half the Stuyvesant students are Asian, more Asian parents should be chosen.
- a comment that because committee chairs become members of the Executive Board, some questions raised are a continuation of last spring's hard-fought PA leadership election.
- a call to support the nominees in the interest of having a well-run PA.
- a question about whether the PA must approve the appointments as a group or can consider each individually.

A motion was made and seconded to call the question. The motion passed. The motion to approve the list of committee chairs then passed on a show of hands.

Approval of Minutes (Jane Ritter, Recording Secretary): A motion was made to approve minutes of the June 18 PA general meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report (Julie Romano, Assistant Treasurer): Julie presented the appropriation committee's "Wish List"—an outline of how the PA plans to distribute its money to school academic departments and activities. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the wish list.

Featured Speakers (Principal Stanley Teitel, AP Eleanor Archie, AP Randi Damasek). Principal Teitel gave the following statistics about Stuyvesant:

- more students got grades of 90 or better last year than in several previous years,
- over 3,400 advanced placement exams were given to Stuy students last spring, with 74% earning top scores of 4 or 5,
- the school offers every course for which the Educational Testing Service offers advanced placement exams,
- Stuy has 31 sports teams (and is the only public high school with a hockey team),
- all kinds of clubs are available, and more than 240 students arrive at 8 a.m. each day for math team.

He asked parents to discuss with their children a letter being sent home soon outlining steps to improve school tone. Principal Teitel said the letter describes some rule changes designed to address problems such as students making noise in the hallways during class periods.

Principal Teitel:

- introduced Eleanor Archie, the new acting assistant principal for pupil personnel services, noting that her responsibilities include programming, the college office and attendance.
- introduced Randi Damasek, the new acting assistant principal for organization.
- said the school would have its first fire drill of the year on Wed., Sept. 18 and planned a total of six before the end of December and 10 by the end of the school year.
- said the removal of the drapes and carpeting announced by Schools Chancellor Klein would not hamper the functioning of the school.
- said, in response to a comment from a parent, that Chancellor Klein has said the Stuyvesant building is safe and that he accepts that assessment.

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Freshman representatives to the School Leadership Team and Members-At-Large to the Executive Board will be elected at the October 15 PA General Meeting. A full list of the Executive Board will be published in the November Bulletin.

Nominations (Dale Bernstein): Judy asked for permission to change the agenda, moving the nominations ahead of the committee reports. A motion was made, seconded and passed to change the agenda.

Nominations were then received for members-at-large to the Executive Board and for freshman representatives to the School Leadership Team. Those who were nominated were asked to complete an information form and give it to the recording secretary before leaving the meeting. [Nominees are listed in the official meeting notice in this Bulletin.]

Committee Reports

Health and Safety Committee (David Ross): David presented copies of an eight-page report written by the PA's environmental consultants summarizing the summer cleanup. He explained that early in the summer the co-presidents had appointed a health and safety committee, inviting three of four members of last year's health and safety committee to continue as members, and had appointed him chair. The committee also included Judy Moore and Dale Bernstein in their roles as co-presidents, as well as Tom Barnard and Felice Perlman. The committee hired environmental consultants Howard Bader, who was hired by the PA last year, and Tom Fusillo, who had worked with nearby schools PS234 and PS/IS89. The consultants visited Stuyvesant two to four times each week during the summer. Reports of their visits and minutes of health and safety committee meetings are on the website.

David said the cleanup was successful. He noted that after asbestos was found in the auditorium carpeting, the committee asked the Department of Education to remove the carpet using asbestos containment procedures. He said the committee wrote to the DoE in August with several outstanding concerns and is still

awaiting the DoE's response. He said he expects that response before the October general PA meeting and announced an informational pre-meeting that evening when the environmental consultants will answer parents' questions.

Parents then commented that:

- the covers of the auditorium seats should be replaced now because no one will be paying attention in a few years if there is embedded asbestos that loosens as the seats age.
- the PA should pursue issues important to last year's health and safety committee including (1) a medical survey of the students and a health registry, (2) a guarantee that the waste transfer site near the school has been cleaned up and (3) maintenance and upgrade of the school's air filtration system.
- the PA should publish a list of committees and tell parents how to get involved. It was said that meeting dates would be posted on the school website.

New Business: In response to a request for new business, several parents made statements, including:

- that the PA has sought and continues to seek minority parents to stand for election.
- that children were subjected to yelling during protests on the first day of school and that the psychological well-being of the children should be considered.
- that new parents are being frightened by the fractious nature of the PA and that mediation should be considered.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Ritter, Recording Secretary

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