Call to Order

- The General Meeting for the PTA was duly called to order at 6:40pm
- Minutes from the Sept 13, 2012 General meeting were approved

Co President’s Report – Ms. Aleccia Braithwaite

- Minutes from the Sept 13, 2012 General meeting were approved
- Upcoming community and fundraiser activities were announced
  - Walk-a-Thon, October 21, 2012, 11:00am – meet at BTHS and walks to or over the Brooklyn Bridge, $10/participant, all ages welcome
  - Teacher Appreciation Dinner, November 29th, PTA and volunteers serves a dinner to the teachers prior to the Parent / Teacher Conferences. Looking for parents to volunteer for 1 of 3 shifts. Participation earns the volunteers a “FAST-PASS” for the conferences.
- Annual Gala Auction & Dinner, March 9, 2013
- Chinese New Year Festival, February 7, 2013

Treasurer’s Report – Ms. Iris Lam

- Ms. Lam reviewed BTHS Budget and the Summary of Income and Expense
- The treasury report was approved.

Elections – Freshman V.P. and SLT Member

- Terms and Duties were defined for both vacant positions
- Each candidate was allotted 2 minutes to speak

Principal’s Report – Mr. Randy Asher

- Get involved if you have time, your voice is important – there are a variety of committees and opportunities to volunteer for.
- Daily announcements have been discontinued.
- Please advise your students to be respectful of others, the neighbors and their properties
- Discussed the online systems available to see how your students are doing; Pupil Path and Skedula
- Discussed the importance of student’s time management.

AP of Student & Parent Engagement Report - Ms. Marquez

- Blue Cards & Lunch Forms please submit
- PSAT will be offered to and taken by all freshman, sophomore and junior students on Oct 17th
  PSAT gives very specific and direct feedback on your student’s strengths and weaknesses.

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Guest Speaker – Ms. Paulson, AP of Pupil Personnel

- Supports the guidance needs of the students, special education and services including social and emotional support. Explained the structure of the guidance counselors at Tech. Each student is assigned in 9th and usually has the same counselor in 10th
- For 11th / 12th are assigned by major & understands the content and curriculum of each major
- Goal is academic success.
- Ms. Paulson answered many direct questions from the parents & attendees covering a variety of topics

Election Results Announced

- Freshman VP – Elissa Stein
- SLT – April Bennett- Cherrey

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm

- Mr. Asher, Ms Marquez, Ms. Paulson and members of the PTA Executive Committee stayed to answer individual’s specific questions.

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