

GREENWOOD ES PTA

3336 Gold Mine Rd
Brookeville, MD 20833



PTA General Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 2, 2019 Greenwood Elementary School, Media Center

- I. The meeting was called to Order by Mary Quirion, PTA President, at 7:02 pm.
- II. Attendees (see attached)
- III. Announcements
 - a. Book Club: David Spitzberg
 - i. Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 4:30 pm, MCDA Rockville
 - ii. Cards distributed at meeting – email David if you’d like to discuss the book “The Hate You Give”
 - iii. Goal is 20 people – 14 so far
- IV. Officer Reports
 - a. President’s Report, Mary Quirion
 - i. Open table discussion w/ faculty last month w/ President and VP of PTA
 1. Faculty wants more assemblies – we will add more next year. This year we did Character U and have a music assembly coming up
 2. Faculty wants to know where our money goes, which takes us to ii.
 - ii. Update/review events and budget
 1. Budget is on back of agenda.
 - a. Expenses (approx. \$18K) mainly included teacher appreciation, stipend to teachers, assemblies, money to school programs, PTA gift to school, recess carts, replace books
 - b. Programs – run at cost. Examples: school kits, yearbooks, open house back to school cookout, movie night, craft night, bingo night, culture night, skate night, variety show, spring fair, spring dance (may be replaced by Rock n Roll Recess this year)
 - c. Fundraisers – bring in money. Examples: dining night out, box tops, read a thon, color run, membership
 2. School gift options – based on feedback over past few months
 - a. Water bottle filler: replace one or more water fountains to include water bottle fillers (depending on cost)
 - b. Buddy Bench: bench in recess area, for kids who feel excluded, they can sit on the bench to have buddies join
 - c. Sensory/Movement path: vinyl decals on the floor to encourage movement and sensory input for kids
 - d. Media Center renovations: last year Mrs. Corrado came to request money to improve media center. We’re researching comparable alternatives to fit within the budget. First priority is to tables and chairs. PTA gift would be a contribution, not to cover entire cost.

Helpful Resources:

PTA Website:

<http://greenwood-pta.org/>

Online Portal:

<https://www.myschoolanywhere.com/>

Invitation Code: JoinGreenwood

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- iii. May 2019 Elections
 - 1. Treasurer Position Open: email Mary if interested
 - 2. Nominating Committee elected by Executive Committee:
 - a. Bini Abraham
 - b. Kathleen Salanik
 - c. Micole Harris
 - 3. MCCPTA Representative Position(s) open for reelection next month: Current reps are likely interested again, email Mary if interested
- iv. Board of Education
 - 1. Achievement Gap Meeting: held last month, almost immediately filled, there will be more opportunities in the future, will be posted on the portal
 - 2. Education Budget Forum: April 4, 6:30-8:30 pm, there will be more opportunities if you can't make this month, will be posted on the portal
 - 3. Sherwood Cluster Explore Event: Thursday at Sandy Spring Museum, 6-9 pm, refreshments will be provided
- v. Hospitality Items/Volunteer Request – email Mary if you'd like to volunteer
 - 1. Mrs. McDonald (4th grade teacher) retiring after 30+ years
 - 2. Pam the Crossing Guard retiring
 - 3. Mrs. Boray baby
- vi. 22 teachers allotted for next year
 - 1. K-3rd: 4 sections each
 - 2. 4th and 5th: 3 sections each
- b. Secretary's Report, Christina Conroy
 - i. Review/Discuss proposed 2019 PTA Bylaws
- c. Treasurer's Report, Tim Abercrombie
 - i. Tim unable to attend today. Budget is on the back of the agenda
- d. MCCPTA update, Lauren Zarren
 - i. National PTA dues increasing by \$1.50 per family. How it will affect our local dues is TBD.
 - ii. Safety Patrol Leadership Camp is back by popular demand – flyer will be on PTA website with this month's materials
 - iii. Safety evaluation due by June 15, 2019. This is new to the county. This will also involve an active assailant training for all MCPS schools. Info will filter out to families soon.

V. Official Business

- a. March 5, 2019 PTA General Board Meeting Minutes: approved unanimously by vote
- b. 2019 PTA Nominating Committee: Bini Abraham, Kathleen Salanik, and Micole Harris elected by Executive Committee
- c. 2019 PTA School Gift Vote: Water bottle station is winning choice
- d. 2019 PTA Bylaws: approved by unanimous vote

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VI. Committee Reports

- a. Color Run/Spring Fair, Lindsay Vilaro
 - i. May 18, 2019
 1. Spring Fair 1-3 pm
 2. Run 3-4 pm
 - ii. Kickoff within the next week – packet will come home. Info will also be available on PTA website

VII. Principal's Report, Carrie Zimmerman

- a. Gator Gazette went out Sunday night
- b. Kindergarten Orientation is 2 days before spring break
 - i. Currently 66 kids registered for Kindergarten
 - ii. Changes incorporating feedback will start this K.O.
- c. Testing schedule (after spring break) will be coming home soon
 - i. PARC is now called MCAP
 - ii. MAP (measure for academic progress) assessments for math and reading
- d. Muffins for Moms – will do 2 days since the dad's event had such a large outcome in the fall; dates will be divided by alphabet; dates: April 25 and 26
- e. Parent Circle: there will be one more forum this year, date TBD

VIII. New Business

- a. Variety Show: questions about email that came out today. Parents want to know if their ticket prices will be refunded if they volunteer in green room. Variety Show says no tickets will be refunded. Variety show/PTA to look into alternatives.

IX. The meeting was adjourned by motion at 8:08 pm.

Minutes by Christina Conroy, PTA Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2019

- 1 MCPS Equity Accountability Mtg.
- 2 General PTA Meeting,
Media Center, 7-8 pm
- 3 Early Release, 12:55 pm
- 5 Spirit Day
- 6 Variety Show,
Sherwood HS, 3-5:30 pm
- 11 Dining Night Out: Café Rio
- 15-16 Kindergarten Orientation
(No school for K)
- 17-22 No School (Spring Break)
- 22-26 Earth Week

May 2019

- 3 Spirit Day
- 7 General PTA Meeting,
Media Center, 7-8 pm
- 6-10 Staff Appreciation Week
- 16 Dining Night Out: Rita's
(FACULTY WILL BE SERVING!)
- 18 Spring Fair/Gator Raiser Color Run,
Greenwood E.S., 1-4 pm
- 21 4th & 5th Grade Spring Choral Concerts
- 23 4th & 5th Grade Spring Instrumental Concerts
- 27 No School (Memorial Day)
- 31 Career Day