

# GREENWOOD ES PTA

3336 Gold Mine Rd  
Brookeville, MD 20833



**PTA General Board Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday, May 7, 2019  
Greenwood Elementary School, Media Center

**I. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Mary Quirion, PTA President**

**II. Attendees (see attached)**

**III. Officer Reports**

- a. President's Report, Mary Quirion
  - i. Rock 'n' Roll Recess, 6/12 for K-4
  - ii. DJ coming in
  - iii. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be on their field trip
  - iv. Will need parent help for this event
- b. Treasurer's Report, Tim Abercrombie
  - i. Through 4/30 we have surplus of \$12,600
  - ii. On track w/ budget so far
- c. MCCPTA Update, Kandi Barakat
  - i. Survey on MCCPTA.org for family engagement

**Helpful Resources:**

**PTA Website:**

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

**Online Portal:**

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

Invitation Code: JoinGreenwood

**IV. Committee Reports**

- a. NAACP, Jackie Abercrombie
  - i. MCPS has a framework (and associated assessment organization) in place to monitor success.
    - 1. The EOL (Evidence of Learning) criteria has three categories: 1) Classroom, 2) District, and 3) External State-Mandated.
    - 2. Goal: "Every student should achieve at least two of the three measurement categories."
    - 3. A formal School Improvement Planning process (also known as a SIP) organizes, reviews and analyzes the EOL, student, and school data.
    - 4. MCPS Equity Accountability Model determines the impact a school has on its students.
  - ii. Handouts distributed at meeting – include EOL criteria and Equity Accountability Model
- b. Variety Show, Harveen Anderson
  - i. DVDs and pictures are in – available for pickup today or email Harveen
  - ii. Made a little over \$4K
- c. Staff Appreciation, Micole Haris
  - i. Going well so far, slightly under budget, families donated food for breakfast yesterday
  - ii. Today gave gift to staff and a parent w/ restaurant brought sandwiches to teachers
  - iii. Tomorrow is raffle – we have enough gift cards so all staff will receive something
  - iv. Thursday: kids can make homemade gifts/cards or dress in western attire/gator gear
  - v. Friday: lunch from Sardi's
  - vi. Teachers also have buckets for kids to fill all week
  - vii. Suggestion for next year: tie to spirit day each month
- d. Box Tops, Kelly Woodside
  - i. Goal was \$1K, so far we're at \$642
  - ii. Box Tops will be accepted until the last day of school but are now going toward the fall
- e. Color Run/Spring Fair, Lindsay Vilardo/Christina Conroy
  - i. Saturday 5/18: Spring Fair: 1-3 pm, Color Run: 3-4 pm
  - ii. Flyers will come out this week about Spring Fair
  - iii. We have approximately 300 runners signed up, and 62 fundraisers on GetMovin website

**V. Official Business**

- a. April 2, 2019 PTA General Board Meeting Minutes – approved unanimously by vote
- b. Mandy de Roo (sole candidate) elected as 2019-2021 Treasurer by unanimous vote (voice vote)
- c. Lauren Zarren and Kandi Barakat re-elected as MCCPTA Representatives by unanimous vote

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## VI. Principal's Report, Carrie Zimmerman

- a. Staffing: no change in numbers since last time – going from 21 to 22 homerooms next year
- b. Teachers leaving:
  - i. Mr. Kasick and Mrs. Toms going to Snowden Farm (new school in Clarksburg)
  - ii. Ms. Wisnieski going to Burnt Mills ES as math focus teacher
  - iii. Ms. McDonald is retiring
- c. Staff changes for next year:
  - i. Ms. Cox will go to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (if approved to return by MCPS HR department following long-term leave (she is currently not in trouble and is okay, awaiting approval now))
  - ii. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will have 4 teachers that have been at Greenwood
  - iii. 1<sup>st</sup> grade new teacher: Christina Kahn hired (from Germantown ES)
  - iv. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade new teacher: Emily Wooten (from Farmland ES)
  - v. 4<sup>th</sup> grade new teacher: Erica George (from Jackson Road)
  - vi. 5<sup>th</sup> grade new teacher: Danielle Peters (from Bethesda ES)
  - vii. New special educator coming from Glenallan ES
- d. Career Day: 5/31/19
- e. Volunteer Lounge: will be held on field day 6/6 (rain date 6/7)
- f. Interims are available this week on MCPS portal (should show up between Friday night-Saturday morning)

## VII. New Business

- a. MCPS Boundary Analysis, Kathryn Collins
  - i. MCPS hiring outside consultant for boundary analysis
  - ii. Important for parents to get involved to voice concerns about Sherwood cluster boundary lines being moved
  - iii. Lines may be drawn differently this time (not based on proximity)
  - iv. Contact Dr. Smith with opinions
  - v. Flyers distributed with Board of Education contact information
  - vi. Suggestion: Mary to reach out to other PTAs to explore uniting together for petition, etc.
- b. Recess – Proposed Pilot Program, Bini Abraham
  - i. Superintendent approved pilot program for extra recess – GES is on the list for approval as pilot school – Zimmerman has question about staffing piece of this
  - ii. Teacher leading the charge will come to PTA meeting next month
  - iii. Principals can encourage outside free play and outdoor lessons.
  - iv. Teachers have the OPTION can take their students outside for free play for up to 30 minutes extra a day, as they see fit.
  - v. This allows teacher autonomy/decision making on how this may fit into their lessons.
  - vi. This does not require any adjustment of the budget.
  - vii. This does not require lengthening the school day.
  - viii. Principals can pilot this program for a marking period, then measure data on assessment scores, behavior, attention levels.

## VIII. Announcements

- a. Tomorrow: last day to order yearbook in advance
- b. May 16<sup>th</sup>: Rita's dining night out 6-8 pm, faculty will be scooping
- c. May 18<sup>th</sup>: Spring Fair and Color Run
- d. June 4<sup>th</sup>: last PTA meeting of the year
- e. June 6<sup>th</sup>: Volunteer appreciation and Field Day

## IX. The meeting was adjourned by motion at 8:05 pm.

Minutes by Christina Conroy, PTA Secretary