



PTA General Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 13, 2020
Greenwood Elementary School, Media Center

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Mary Quirion, PTA President.**
- II. Attendance (see attached): quorum satisfied.**
- III. Officer Reports**
 - A. President's Report, Mary Quirion
 - i. Boundary Analysis: There's another meeting tomorrow. Pickup flyer if interested (handed out last month too).
 - ii. After school programs have started.
 - iii. Dreambox: Investing in Academics at GES
 1. Last year we ended up with a surplus of money.
 2. This year we've cut down on budgets for certain programs so they will not be fundraisers (i.e. Bingo Night and Variety Show).
 3. What would you like to do with our fundraising money this year?
 - a. Last year: water filling station, recess carts, book donations to Read to Me, Talk with Me
 - b. This year: we plan to discuss next month
 - i. Administration has suggested a Dreambox subscription. Dreambox is an online subscription-based program to provide enrichment to students at all levels. Can use in school or at home. To get a subscription for the remainder of this school year cost is \$2900 to cover every student at GES.
 - ii. Mrs. Zimmerman – if we don't vote on this until February, question for Dreambox is whether they would give us a 6 month subscription so the students can use over the summer?
 - iii. Mandy DeRoo – question for Mrs. Zimmerman – are there any teacher trainings that we could pay for?
 - iv. Melissa Frye – could we pay for subs for teachers?
 1. Mrs. Zimmerman – when teacher's go to training, it's professional leave so the county pays for subs.
 - v. Melissa Frye – are there costly manipulatives we could pay for?
 1. Mrs. Z – with new curriculum rolling out next year, we are unsure what the county will provide. But that is an option.
 - vi. Jennifer Campbell – what about bringing in more outside people for science, etc.? (assemblies)

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- vii. Harveen Anderson – likes idea of homework club after school
 - 1. Would need to find available staff
 - 2. Maybe bring outside agencies or HS students to get SSL hours
- viii. Christine Iannicelli-Rippen: there are also programs that come to teach sports to kids (i.e. golf)

- iv. MCCPTA Wellness Forum: was on Saturday
- v. Need volunteers to form Spring Fair Committee: we have no one signed up to help with the spring fair yet.

- B. Treasurer's Report, Mandy DeRoo
 - i. Budget is on the back of the agenda.
 - ii. Craft night full income is reported. Still waiting on expenses.
 - iii. Bingo money is starting to come in.

IV. Official Business

- A. December 3, 2019 PTA General Board Meeting Minutes approved by motion.
 - i. Motion: Jen Campbell
 - ii. Second: Mandy DeRoo
 - iii. Unanimously approved by voice vote

V. Committee Reports

- A. Bingo Night, Katie Philips
 - i. Ordered 70 pizzas this year
 - ii. Advance sales have closed
 - iii. Will email volunteers this week
 - iv. Will go paperless next year
 - v. There will be less prizes this year
- B. Gator Gala, Christina Conroy
 - i. Dates:
 - 1. Event 2/29, 7-10 pm
 - 2. Ticket sales start 1/22, 9am – ONLINE ONLY
 - 3. Ticket sales end 2/14 or when tickets sell out
 - 4. Look for invitation via backpack express end of this week
 - ii. Includes DJ, Dinner, Dessert, and Silent Auction
 - iii. Silent Auction, Lindsay Vilardo
 - 1. Will focus more on experiences (i.e. principal for a day, catered lunch for 1st grade, etc.)
 - 2. Will have a close time and the highest bidders will win. Check out at event.
 - 3. If you have items to donate please contact Lindsay by 2/14/20: Lmrinker@gmail.com (i.e. themed baskets, sports tickets, time shares, etc.)

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- C. Variety Show, Harveen Anderson
 - i. Will email 5th grade practice dates in the next week
 - ii. Also checking K-4 songs to make sure no duplicates
 - iii. Only have 1 volunteer – need more help from adults and SSL students
 - iv. T-shirts, DVDs, etc. available online
- D. Teacher Appreciation Supply Cart, Melissa Frye
 - i. Will provide 2nd semester supply cart for teachers to “shop” from
 - ii. If you want to contribute please see the link online to Amazon shopping list or coordinate with Melissa
 - iii. Please submit donations by 1/24/20
- E. Culture Night, Melissa Frye
 - i. February 20, 2020
 - ii. Language lab in Media Center
 - iii. Tour of countries in APR, fashion show, and performances
 - iv. Signup genius will go live at the end of this week to sign up for countries, performance, and/or fashion show
 - v. Will need volunteers – adult and SSL opportunities will be on signup genius
- F. MCCPTA, Kandi Barakat
 - i. MCCPTA has been looking into initiatives for gun violence, focus on awareness – i.e. Knowing where guns are at home & locking them up
- G. Black History Month, Tim Abercrombie
 - i. Working on morning announcements, speaker for assembly, and poster contest details

VI. Principal’s Report, Carrie Zimmerman

- A. The Maryland Report Card for MCPS 2018-2019 academic year is online
 - i. Greenwood received 4 stars (we got 74%, 75% would have been 5 stars)
 - 1. Academic Achievement: 13.8/20 points
 - 2. Academic Progress: 22.8/35 points
 - 3. Progress in achieving English language proficiency: 7.9/10 points
 - 4. School quality and student success: 29.5/35 points
 - ii. Mrs. Zimmerman is pleased with the report card and the data results. Focus on math in the coming year to meet target there.

VII. Announcements

- A. Dining Night Out: January 22, 2020 @ Mamma Lucia
- B. 5th Grade Fundraiser: January 26, 2020, 6-9 pm @ Olney Winery
 - i. Fantastic raffles will be available
- C. Skate night: March 20, 2020 @ Rockville Indoor Ice Arena
- D. Wellness night: April 23, 2020 (more details to follow)
- E. Spring fair: June 6, 2020 (if we get a committee chair)

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VIII. The meeting was adjourned by motion at 8:07 pm.

- A. Motion: Melissa Petropolous
- B. Second: Jen Campbell
- C. Unanimously approved by voice vote.

Meeting minutes by Christina Conroy, PTA Secretary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 2020

17 Bingo Night @ Rosa Parks M.S.
20 NO SCHOOL, MLK Jr. Holiday
22 Dining Night Out @ Mamma Lucia
24 Early Release @ 12:55 pm
26 5th Grade Fundraiser @ Olney Winery
27 NO SCHOOL, Professional Day

February 2020

4 PTA Meeting/Report Cards Sent Home
7 Spirit Day
12 Dining Night Out @ Chick-fil-A
17 NO SCHOOL, President's Day Holiday
20 Culture Night
28 Early Release @ 12:55 pm
29 Gator Gala