

Minutes from PTA General Meeting

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

7:00PM via [Zoom](#), Ended 7:40

- 1) Old Business (Terri Payne)
 - a) Adoption of minutes from last meeting (VOTE REQUIRED)
 - i) Motion to approve by Shannon Rosenthal
 - ii) Amanda Sutaria seconded to approve
 - iii) Poll results: 87% **approved**, 13% abstained
 - b) Adoption of revised Bylaws (VOTE REQUIRED)
 - i) Motion to approve by Nick Yunes
 - ii) Heather Golde seconded to approve
 - iii) Poll results: 76% **approved**, 17% abstained
- 2) Treasurer's Report (Nick Yunes)
 - a) Financial statement for period ending February 2021
 - i) Net Income \$10,000 (largely from Drama club and dues drive)
 - b) Proposed budget amendments (VOTES REQUIRED):
 - i) Amend the Budget to authorize reimbursing the School for the cost of Wednesday Envelopes purchased for this school year.
 - (1) \$584 to school
 - (2) If not used this year, school will save to use next year.
 - ii) Amend the Budget to authorize paying for the fees of the company hired by the Drama Club to teach, coordinate, and produce this year's performance.
 - (1) Authorize ~\$10,000 to drama club fees
 - iii) Shannon motioned to approve
 - iv) Amanda seconded to approve
 - v) Poll results: 88% **approved**, 12% abstained
- 3) Officer Reports & New Business
 - a) MCCPTA Resolution on Student Resource Officers (SROs) in High Schools (Setareh Ghandehari)
 - i) SROs are police officers assigned to schools by MCPD
 - ii) New MCCPTA Resolution rescinds a previous resolution that required a SRO at each high school in county
 - iii) New resolution creates flexibility between schools and their communities to determine SRO needs at individual schools
 - iv) PTA Board has voted to approve the resolution
 - v) Send questions/concerns to Setareh via bannockburnelementarypta@gmail.com by March 8, 2021.
 - b) Community Service Recap (Mia Morrison)

- i) Valentines Card project was very successful! 400 cards made and delivered to assisted living facilities locally. Also delivered girl scout cookies and valentines to Glen Echo and Bannockburn elderly residents. Great work!
 - c) Fundraising Campaign (Terri Payne)
 - i) 5th grade spirit wear
 - (1) Custom Ink clothing, very popular
 - (2) Available again starting on Sunday March 7.
 - (3) Benefits 5th graders
 - (4) Website: [BANNOCKBURN STRONG IS BACK Custom Ink Fundraising](#)
 - ii) Media Center fundraiser
 - (1) To replace other normal in-person fundraisers
 - (2) Need to raise \$30,000-\$50,000 to purchase furnishings for library, music, art rooms
 - (3) Recommend donating \$1 to lower wealth MCPS schools for every \$3 you donate to the campaign (details on the GiveButter campaign site).
 - (4) www.Givebutter.com/bespta
 - (5) Running from now through early May
 - d) Nominating Committee for 2021-2022 (Terri Payne)
 - i) Would like to get nominating committee from variety of grades (five nominating committee members)
 - ii) Need to put together the committee soon, who will then find nominees for the Board positions
 - iii) Will vote for nominees at general meeting election in May
- 4) PTA Engagement on School Reopening (Terri Payne)
 - a) Classroom supply purchases
 - i) Air cleaning machines have been purchased for all classrooms, and some fans have been purchased as well.
 - ii) Have also bought teachers some extra classroom supplies
 - iii) Supply funds are remaining from allocated funds, so teachers can use to supplement classroom as well.
 - b) Checklists for parents
 - i) Have been providing checklists so that parents can consult as they transition kids back to new in-school/virtual model. Feedback has been very positive!
 - c) Guidance to Room Parents + Treasurers
 - i) Kudos to room parents for doing so much more this year than in a normal year!
 - ii) Working on new class lists
 - iii) Organizing teacher-specific Amazon Wishlists
 - (1) May see if Administration can facilitate teachers sharing lists and ideas?
 - iv) Melissa Waite organizing class photos from Zoom images 😊 Will be getting parents to sign waivers.
 - v) Safe, socially-distanced end of year parties are being considered

- vi) Treasurers will need to work together to redistribute funds across the grades that have had classes added.
- d) Staff Appreciation
 - i) Marget Maurer has been doing a lot to show staff appreciation!
 - ii) May 3-7 is staff appreciation week. Email Marget (Marget@maurer-family.com, OR BESstaffAppreciation@gmail.com) if interested in helping coordinate in April for the week in May!
- 5) General Questions
 - a) THANK YOU to our PTA leadership for all your hardwork, organization, excellent communication!!
 - b) Reach out to Kara and Terri via bannockburnelementarypta@gmail.com