

BES PTA General Membership Vote To Approve Bylaws, Followed by BES PTA Board Meeting

May 24, 2022, 7:30PM

Zoom Attendees: Marsha Ashley, Melissa Waite, Mia Morrison, Susan Limb, Juliette Searight, Katharine Gordon, Amanda Sutaria, Asha Balakrishnan, Marget Mauer, Laurie Blunt, Margaret Cantrell, Kevin Kenney, Kevin Stults, Anna Benefiel, David Hecht, Dana Shaiyen

1. General membership vote to approve the 2022 bylaws to be submitted to the FSPTA, amended from the 2021 approved bylaws.

- a. Kevin Stults made motion to approve, Anna seconded. Poll: 14/14 people voted Yes. 1 abstained. Approved.

2. Board Meeting:

a. Vote to approve minutes from 2/17/22 board meeting.

- i. KLH made motion to approve, Kevin seconded. Vote passed.

b. Review of items approved via email votes since last meeting:

- i. MCCPTA Statement of Abuse Letter—approved to send 3/22/22
- ii. Nominating Committee Members—approved 4/6/22
- iii. By-laws draft approved by Board—approved 4/29/22
- iv. Money for Ms. Thaler—Approved 5/11/22

c. Update on Nominating Committee

- i. Still looking for
 1. Fundraising VP (2 positions)
 2. Education VP (1 position)
 3. Membership and Communications VP (1 position)
 4. Social VP (1 position)
- ii. Current Board Members planning to stay?
 1. DEI—Lisa Kays and Kelly Griffiths--Confirmed
 2. Social—Margaret Cantrell--Confirmed
 3. In School Activities—Asha Balakrishnan--Confirmed
 4. Before and After School Activities—Verinda Fike--Confirmed
 5. Treasurer: Kevin S.--Confirmed
 6. President: Susan L--Confirmed

- iii. Draft of Board Slate must be sent to to general membership by May 28 for vote on June 7.

- iv. Discussed importance and strategies for Membership VP for recruiting early in school year.

d. Juliette said thank you to 2021-2022 Board (and THANK YOU for outstanding leadership, Juliette!)

- e. **Add Green Schools Liaison** to the board (Juliette)

- i. Motion for Katy Levine to join the board as a Green Schools Liaison (not officer)
 - ii. Proposed by Margaret, seconded by Susan, everyone said yay.
 - f. **Add New Family Liaison** to the board
 - i. Proposed that identifying a board member to help new families navigate BES. Everyone seems to think it's a good idea
 - ii. Anna B. has offered to pick up the role, Amanda will help her
 - iii. David proposed motion to approve, and Katharine seconded, all said yay.
 - g. **Draft Budget**
 - i. Currently, we have a lot more cash (~\$28,000) in bank than we expected to have at this point
 - 1. Suspect budget predictions were off, in part because of unpredictability as emerge from COVID
 - 2. MANY people have not turned in receipts yet.
Deadline for receipts is June 1.
 - ii. Kevin to have 2022-2023 budget (at least subtotals) by June 7 general membership meeting. At that point we can discuss the surplus and how to correct the budget moving forward.
 - h. **Miscellaneous**
 - i. Zoom vs in person meetings next year? Hoping to go back to in person.
 - ii. Happy hour at Praline for end of year board meeting??
 - i. Motion to adjourn by Cantrell, and EVERYONE seconded. Meeting ended at 8:35PM