

Minutes
Greenbelt Elementary School Parent & Teacher Association (PTA)
May 31, 2022
Virtual Meeting

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Danielle Wood, President

- [Zoom Link](#)
Meeting ID: 823 2517 5551
Passcode: GESPTA22
- Don Rich from the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education was in attendance.

- **Approval of [March 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)**

Matt Sickle, Secretary

- 10+ votes in favor. Minutes are approved.

- **Principal's Report**

Monica Gaines, Principal

- State Testing 3-5th tested. This went well.
 - Scores will be compared with pre-test from earlier in the year.
- COVID Cases
 - Increasing at GBES
 - Students are still required to wear masks. Please remind them in the mornings.
 - The reporting format has changed.
- After-care
 - Some schools began in recent weeks.
 - After-care may become available for the last few weeks of school.

- **[Treasurer's Report](#)**

Eric McKenzie, Treasurer

- Monthly Report
 - New Members Received
 - Donations received from Silver Diner Restaurant Night
 - Expenditures included Field Day equipment and Teacher Appreciation Week
- Year End Report
 - Annual Income from Dues, Fundraising, Donations, and Prizes was described.
 - Annual Expenses from Operation, Organizational Dues, Fundraising, and PTA Objectives were described.
 - Annual spending was lower than usual. Income was also lower. Year end balance at around \$18,000.
- Q&A
 - Why is our annual balance so high?
 - A: Beginning of the year is an expensive time. This year's balance is higher than typical. A more typical annual balance would be \$10,000 which would be a good target for next year's end if it is a more typical (non-covid) year.
 - How many students are in the school?
 - A: About 550

- Is the reason for the high balance the lack of field trips?
 - A: Yes, also since lunch is free we don't have to pay lunch account balances?
- **Nominations Committee**
Jessica O'Roark, Sara Mazursky, Corita Waters
 - o Corita Waters presents a new slate of nominees. Full Board will be replaced for term limited board.
 - o Thanks to current board members.
 - o Nominees:
 - Jill Connor - President
 - Eric McKenzie - VP
 - Becky Fulcher - VP
 - Brooke Kenny - Secretary
 - Sarah West - Treasurer
 - 16 votes for the new board. The new board is approved.
- **President's Report**
Danielle Wood, President
 - o Teacher & Staff Appreciation week went well with lots of treats and gifts for teachers.
 - o Thanks & appreciation from the current board to GES Administration, Teachers, & Staff.
- **PTA Updates**
 - o Seeking Labor Day Booksale Committee Chair and Members
 - o Seeking Financial Review Committee Chair and Members
 - o Field Day - Tuesday, June 7th
 - o 5th Grade Promotion - Friday, June 17th
 - o Kindergarten Celebration - June 21st
- **Reminders**
 - o [Silver Diner Eat Well, Do Well](#) - Request a card [here](#) so you can earn points and special rewards every time you dine. 5% of your check goes directly to the school.
 - o [Amazon Smile](#) - Donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases.
 - o [GES PTA](#) - You can become a PTA member for this school year [here](#). Please note that there are two steps 1. Pay the membership fee through Paypal.
2. Complete the membership form.

2020-2021 Board Members

Danielle Wood, President

Monica Lathan Dye, Vice President

Eric McKenzie, Treasurer

Matt Sickie, Secretary