

# PTA General Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, May 17, 2024 at 7:00pmET

*Location: Virtual via GoogleMeet*

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### **Attendance:**

Casey Massicot, Lauren Rosenthal, Crystal Peters, Claire Pierson, Stacey Menegatti, Brandon Hollern, Rae Beaudry, Ryan Benjamin Kavalsky III, Sarah Hollern, Amber Elliot, Thomas Fare, Erin Parks, Jessica Parent, Allison Egger, Ray Egger, Cindy Reuter, Tim Reuter, Andrea Romberger, Carol Cottman, Amber Larkin

### **1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – Claire Pierson**

- (a) Lauren Rosenthal acknowledged that the meeting was not being recorded and that there was not an interpreter on the call.
- (b) Claire Pierson called the meeting to order at 7:06.
- (c) Claire Pierson led the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

### **2. Elections**

**Jered Rasmussen**  
**Ryan Kavalasky**  
**Kelly Holmes**

### **3. Review and Approval of Minutes - Brandon Hollern moved and Tim Reuter seconded the approval of the minutes of the March meeting.**

### **4. Casey Massicot - Fundraising**

- a. Spring Fling was a success, good feedback on inside, please provide feedback and comments to Casey.
- b. June 3 is the last in school fundraiser, Rita's in Hunt Valley, 5-8 PM, flyers will go out in school as well as an email.
- c. Sweet, 2nd Thursday of each month in the summer
- d. Trying to plan a summer social at Hightopps

### **5. New Business: Lauren Rosenthal opened the meeting to Comments, Questions or Concerns from the General Membership. There were no responses.**

- a. Crystal Peters question regarding communication for next year. Can we put the calendar for last 26 days and other things like that in the newsletter for next year. Ryan Kavalsky indicated that he would try to do that.
- b. Crystal Peters also asked about seeing facebook posts after the day that they happen. Stacey Menegatti responded that personal facebook algorithms dictate what people see on their individual feeds.

### **6. President's Report - Lauren Rosenthal ( [W 2024 5 15 President Report for General Meeting.docx](#))**

- a. Final report as president.
- b. Shout out to Stacey Menegatti for all of the hard work she's put in behind the scenes as

VP: Communications for the past two years! And for all of the behind and in front of the scenes work she's put in on top of that with chairing our book fairs!

- c. Shout out to Jen Patterson for fulfilling two one-year interim stints on the board as Secretary and VP: Volunteers!
- d. Thank you to our newly elected officers for the coming term! And thank you to our mid-term officers who will be rounding out their second year of service!
- e. THANK YOU! Casey Massicott for throwing one heck of a Spring Fling event!!! The rain pushed us inside and she led an amazing pivot with awesome attendance. Our committee chairs also deserve a huge shout out – it takes a big lift to pull off a simultaneous book fair, gaming set up, crafts, cake walk, and silent auction and we got nothing but glowing feedback.
- f. We appreciate all of the effort which has been put into the PSES yearbook – contributors have been working steadily behind the scenes to get everything ready for print.
- g. Rita's Night on June 3rd, 2024 from 5-8p
- h. It was a great pleasure to serve on the Board for the last three years and I'm so grateful for the partnership with parents, faculty, and staff to work together for the benefit of our bluebird families and surrounding community.
- i. **Community Updates – Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens update:** After the zoning hearing took place, the County moved forward in approving the Special Exception for a funeral establishment in a DR zone.
- j. **Ongoing Business:**
  - i. Please remember to utilize the new PSE Community Outreach account with Kid to Kid Timonium: Families and caretakers are welcomed to contribute to our "community closet account". Upon buy-out check in, punch in the main number for PSE (443) 809-7648 and the account for Pot Spring Elementary Community Outreach will auto-populate in the buy system. Then select that you'd like to receive their "payout" in store credit. When the buyout is complete, it will generate an auto email to Ms. Hall to advise regarding credit added. The credit will be gifted forward in the form of Kid to Kid gift cards distributed to PSE families in need of clothing/footwear assistance for children.
  - ii. If you've never shopped at Kid to Kid, we can give you a referral certificate through which you can receive an additional \$5 in credit towards your purchase, and our community account will receive a \$5 credit as well. Please ask in the front office.

- iii. Arrival and dismissal: Please, please, please help us keep our children safe!  
During pick up and drop off there is NO PARKING on Springlake Drive on the school side and on Downshire Court on the residential side. If you're interested in joining our sporadic volunteer traffic crew, please let me know!
- iv. Vacant positions: We have several: Membership Coordinator, Community Outreach/Book Nook Coordinator, Landscaping, Staff Support. If you are interested in any of these positions, please email [vpvolunteerspsepta@gmail.com](mailto:vpvolunteerspsepta@gmail.com) or [presidentpsepta@gmail.com](mailto:presidentpsepta@gmail.com).

**7. Treasurer's Report - Brandon Hollern**

- a. The budget and actuals are on the website for review.
- b. Brandon is still trying to get reimbursements so doesn't have final numbers for Spring Fling.
- c. If any teachers need reimbursements for classroom supplies, please get those in soon.

**8. VP Communications Report - Stacey Menegatti**

- a. Thank you for allowing her to serve the last two years and also as book fair chair.

**9. VP Events Report – Amber Elliot**

- a. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for events.

**10. VP Volunteers - Jen Patterson (not present, Lauren Rosenthal presented)**

- a. We need more volunteers.

**11. Administrator's Report – Thomas Fare**

- a. Fourth Grade was our attendance winner for the month of April! They enjoyed Spring Fling tickets as a reward.
- b. A huge thank you to the PTA and Mary Rose Schwarb for treating our teachers to a spectacular Teacher Appreciation Week. The smoothies, catered lunch, seated massages, Celebration sign and coffee truck were huge hits. They definitely felt the love!!!!
- c. Thank you to Cake by Jason and the Sokolis family for treating our teachers to sweet treats for Teacher Appreciation week.
- d. MCAP is finishing up this week with Math testing for our fifth graders. Make-up testing will take place this week and next as needed.
- e. Kindergarten and PreK registration were well attended. Please continue to spread the word to families in the neighborhood.
- f. Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> is an asynchronous virtual day for students. Teachers will assign work on Schoology. Students must sign on to Schoology to be marked present for the day. Teachers will be at school engaged in Professional Development.
- g. School Closed Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>
- h. Fifth grade Farewell will be held at Dulaney High School again this year. The ceremony will be Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM.
- i. June 12<sup>th</sup> last day for Pre K

j. June 13th and 14th half days for students, June 14th last day of school.

**12.** Lauren Rosenthal again opened to general membership for Questions, comments, concerns?  
None were expressed.

**13. Motion to end the Meeting:** Thomas Fare moved/Kelly Holmes seconded at approximately 7:37 p.m.