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#### **PTSA OFFICERS 2020-2021**

Jasmy Methipara President Dani Pinkney *Vice President* 

Alice Ewen Treasurer

Jeanette Stoltzfus Secretary

General Membership Meeting Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 7pm

Attendees: See list of attendees attached

### Welcome/Call to Order

Jasmy Methipara, President, opened and welcomed attendees at 7:02

## **Meeting Notes**

1. Principal's Report (Ms. Womack)

### 2. Approval of Minutes (Jeanette Stoltzfus)

The meeting minutes from May 2020's General Membership meeting were unanimously approved. Motion of approval was made by Alice Ewen, second by Amanda Eisen.

### 3. Treasurer's Report (Alice Ewen)

The Budget for School Year 2020/2021 was unanimously approved. Motion for approval was made by Jasmy Methipara, second by Maureen Vosmek and Dani Pickney This proposed budget is slated for approval.

Alice Ewen made a call for two volunteers to help with a financial review in October. Meeting participant, Leslie Tapscott, volunteered to help.

### 4. President's Report (Jasmy Methipara)

- a. Board Intros: Jasmy Methipara introduced all officers and committee leads to the meeting attendees. Committee groups include Advocacy, Communication, Membership, Nominations, Fundraising, Parent Rep, Volunteer.
- b. Parent Survey Results: Jasmy Methipara shared highlight learnings from the parent survey which include Communication (Whatsapp, Listserv, Facebook, Parent Directory); Teacher Support; Community Events and School Improvements.
- c. Membership Dues: Membership dues help Your membership supports: teacher stipends for classroom materials, teacher appreciation in fall and spring, and some of our basic operating expenses and support for State and National PTSA. Additionally, all board and volunteer positions in our school PTSA are unpaid, volunteer roles.

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- d. Alternate Funding Sources: Members are invited to think creatively on how to involve other funding sources in supporting RGMS including grants, corporate sponsors and DonorsChoose.
- e. Initiatives paused: Due to COVID-19, school beautification such as stage curtains, hall flags and library nook have been paused.
- f. Upcoming events include:
  - i. Scruffy Storytime tomorrow 9/17 @7pm (Weekly on Thurs)
  - ii. Chipotle Fundraiser (Cherrywood Ln., Greenbelt) 10/24 from 5-9pm: A flyer will be shared via announcement after the meeting.
  - iii. Zombie Run (last two weeks in Oct, more details forthcoming) Adults and kids can sign up to participate in Hyattsville Zombie Run to benefit RGMS. Interested participates can sign up herehttps://runsignup.com/Race/MD/Hyattsville/HyattsvilleZombieRun
  - iv. Dancing with Dudes (Men Make a Difference Day) TBD
  - v. Family Recipe Top Chef TBD
  - vi. RGMS Paraphernalia Shop TBD
  - vii. School Pictures TBD
- g. Advocacy

Special call to participate in the current census by September 30. The census link can be found here-<a href="https://2020census.gov/en.html">https://2020census.gov/en.html</a>
For those interested, there is a Kirwin Commission Info Session-

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h. Volunteers (Financial Review Team, Fundraising Chair, Advocacy Committee Members, etc.): The PTSA welcomes volunteers in whatever capacity.

### 5. Distant Learning Check-in

Meeting participants shared concerns and solution ideas regarding the past two weeks of distant learning.

#### Announcement

The next general membership meeting is November 18, 2020 at 7pm.

### <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting ended at 8:07pm with unanimous approval. Alice Ewen motioned to adjourn, Jeanette Stoltzfus seconded.

\_\_\_\_\_(Jeanette Stoltzfus, Secretary)

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Attendees:

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Jeanette Stoltzfus Ogunsanmi (Toyin)

Andrea Stutzman (Benjamin) Jodi Hammer

Jane Chesnes (Jane Chesnes) Kristen Hodge-Clark

SOLOMON BARKIE (SOLOMON) Sheree Keitt

Jasmine iPhone Norma Bush (Logan Bush)

Joseph Jakuta (Advocacy Chair) (Joseph) Katarina Gramatova

Jasmy Methipara# FHWA Amanda Coleman

Alice Ewen (aewen) Anna Childers

Rachel Kahan Noyce Ira Strain (Arjanti Strain)

Dani (Ndiaye) Amanda Eisen

Jeminé Trouth Mark Fuge

Jewel Smith hulya.eroglu

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