

## **Escuela Key General PTA Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 22, 2022**

Please see the meeting slides posted on the [Escuela Key PTA meetings website](#) for more information about specific agenda items.

**13** attendees, including guest presenter/speakers: Principal Marleny Perdomo, Assistant Principal Frances Lee

The meeting started at **7:07** pm

### **Principal's Report:**

Spring into Reading : They are emphasizing having kids hold physical books for reading (not reading on the iPad), and giving the kids to draw their favorite characters or part of the book. Staff will be posting their creations to bulletin boards in the school. It is to incentivize reading.

April is Poetry Month

Dr. Duran is visiting Escuela Key tomorrow morning, March 23. He loves to interact with kids in multiple languages

Projections for next year: 600 students. 2 VPI classes, 4 classes each other grade. Families who have an older sibling at Key still need to apply for their incoming Kindergarten students, so we know how many seats to reserve. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to register their child once the lottery acceptances go out, for planning purposes.

Field trips: 4th grade went to Jamestown, VA, 5th grade went to Outdoor lab. Other grades have upcoming field trips to the Outdoor Lab (3rd), Green Springs Garden (maybe 1st and 2nd grades – still being confirmed) and to swimming classes (3rd grade).

No Place for Hate: They will be starting a new (second) project in April (following the Change Sings project from last semester), and discussing kindness and standing up for kindness during morning meetings.

On April 20, wear purple for Military Child Day. April is Military Child Month. Supporting these initiatives is part of Key's Purple Star School designation in support of military kids and kids from foreign service families who may move frequently as a part of their family's service.

### **Escuela PTA President shared the agenda for the meeng**

- Welcome / Bienvenida
- Hoorays for March / Hurras para marzo
- PTA Nominations
- Mark Your Calendars! / ¡Marca tu calendario!
- Treasurer: March Updates
- Q&A with Sra. Perdomo / Preguntas y respuestas con Sra. Perdomo

### **Hurraays:**

**Apicultores March winners:**

First time that whole teams are being recognized: we will provide lunch for both teams (rather than individual gift certificates) for the entire First and Fourth Grade teams!

**PTA Executive Board Nominations**

- At the April PTA meeting, the nominating committee (chaired by Erin Freas-Smith) will present the slate of individuals for the PTA Executive Board. The general membership will vote on the positions at the May PTA meeting.
- Most important positions, because they need to be voted on are President - elect, Treasurer, and Secretary
- See the slides for details on the process.
- Questions or suggestions for potential nominees can be sent to [internal-affairs@keypta.org](mailto:internal-affairs@keypta.org)

**Review of the Calendar for February and March**

See Mark your Calendar slide (slide 4 in the [PTA meeting presentation](#))!

**Treasurer's Report**

- Presented by Key PTA Treasurer Patty Spencer (please see information on slide 6 of the [meeting presentation](#))

**Q & A**

- Q: Is the school expecting a shift in the number of classrooms after the budget process?  
A: Responses indicated we're expecting fewer students rather than more, but the budget process can impact the number of students at option schools.
- Q: Will there be Summer school at Key  
A: yes, Key is a host site, and is considered a cluster school, meaning students in summer school will not just be Key students – there are a limited number of spots and they will be offered based on need for remediation in both reading and math. If you have questions about summer school, please reach out to Assistant Principal Frances Lee.
- Q: Will both First and second grade have a field trip to Green Springs Garden?  
A: Both grades are considering field trips but the destinations have not yet been confirmed.

**The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.**