# PTSA MEMBER MINUTES

North Bethesda Middle School

*Date | time* 01-13-2026| *Meeting called to order by* Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Ray Azarm

## PTA Board

Principal, Shinay Snead (Shanay_A_Snead@mcpsmd.org) - present virtually
President, Ray Azarm (president@nbmsptsa.org)
Treasurer, Nisha Rastogi (treasurer@nbmsptsa.org) - present virtually
Secretary, Dana Dirker (secretary@nbmsptsa.org) -
VP of Communications, Regan Kelly (communications@nbmsptsa.org)
VP of Student Enrichment, Sreya Mukherjee (enrichment@nbmsptsa.org) - not present
VP of Membership/Fundraising, Isaac Wedin (membership@nbmsptsa.org)
VP of Social Activities, Radha Choudary (activities@nbmsptsa.org) - not present
Delegate, Sy Yang (nbms.mccpta.delegate@gmail.com)

## Topics of Discussion

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Ray Azram, President.

Secretary - Dana Dirker - motion to approve minutes; minutes approved

Ray Azram, PTSA President

- Welcome and introduction to meeting
- Announces we have a nominating committee

Principal Snead- Updates

- Successful Parents and Pastries
- Gratitude to those who participated in school improvement plan and volunteers for socials
- Review of Standard Response Protocol
- MCAP testing
- Announces enrichment opportunities

Speaker - Nicole Morgan - Principal of Walter Johnson

- Reviews transition from APEX to AP Capstone
- Changes going forward, starting in the 2026 - 2027 school year
- There will be 3 levels of course: on-level, Honors, and AP
- Honors will be the current APEX curriculum
- AP Capstone diploma requirements are: AP Seminar (10th grade or 11th grade) & AP Research (11th or 12th grade)

  -Students can join in 11th grade and do AP Seminar in 11th and AP Research in 12th

- Robust AP Program - WJ scores highly
- Principal Morgan discusses registration process
- AP Capstone will also be at Woodward

Dan Bachner - Boundary update - still in process, Board of Ed to vote on Superintendent's recommendation on 3/26

Ray Azram - MCCPTA - Instructional Continuity Resolution

- Voting on recommendation for high school students to have the same teacher and classroom per subject throughout the school year rather than changing instructors and classrooms mid-year.
- Benefits student academic and social-emotional success and establishes relationships for college recommendations
- Exceptions would be reviewed on a case by case basis
- Please take this survey
- PTA Survey for MCCPTA Resolution: Instructional Continuity in HS https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScy-MNcd3zCsdA8V3UGhCLOl_sa_AIa8ewRRTb22PdecNEtFA/viewform

Ray Azram for Rhada – VP Social Activities

- Gratitude to volunteers
- March Madness on 3/13
- Parent/Caregiver Social on 3/13
- Cupcake Wars on 5/15 - parent lead needed

Isaac - VP of Membership/Fundraising

- Join!
- Sponsorship opportunities

Ray Azram for Sreya - VP of Enrichment

- Python Coding starts 3/17
- Debate Club in April

Karen Crist - FTC Robotics - if interested for next year, email nbmsftc@gmail.com

Nisha - Treasurer

- February budget approved
- Healthy financial position
- Reminder to submit reimbursement forms and invoices promptly

Meeting adjourned 8:40pm by Ray Azram

## Next Meeting

Next member meeting May 12, 2026