

CCES PTA October Meeting

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2019

I. Call to Order:

The PTA held an October Meeting.

Met on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at Clemens Crossing Elementary School in the Media Center.

Dani, President, called the meeting to Order at 7:05 pm.

II. Roll Call:

Present

Executive Committee (Board of Directors):

Dani Gardner, President

Christy Pine, 1st VP (Program Chair)

Eileen "Lea" Billingsley, 2nd VP (Staff Liaison)

Vanessa Beltran, Recording Secretary

Jennifer Jackson, Corresponding Secretary

Elizabeth "Liz Laney, Treasurer

Additional Board of Directors:

Karen Pang, PTACHC Rep (1)

Standing Committees (Board of Directors):

Risa Carlson, Cultural Arts

Suzanne Papailiou, Cultural Arts

Louise Valentine, Grant Application

Rachael Kelly, Staff Appreciation

Allie McDonald, STEM Activities

Administrators:

Sonia Hurd, Assistant Principal

Special Committee Chairs:

Alex Kent, Bingo Night

Jennie Wang, Restaurant Nights

Jennifer Jackson, Spiritwear

Guests:

*****see attached attendance sheet, pg 7 & 8***

Excused

Standing Committees (Board of Directors):

Corrine Benjamin, Membership

Chris McDonald, STEM Activities

Administrators:

Edward Cosentino, Principal

Absent

Additional Board of Directors:

Sharon Barnes, GTAC Representative

Standing Committees (Board of Directors):

Karolina DuBois, After School Programs

Joy Spies, Assistant Treasurer

Ryan Genovese, Audit Committee & Policy

Meghan Skaggs, Audit Committee

Giulia Taraszkiewicz, Audit Committee

Raghavi Patel, Staff Appreciation

Jenn Aballo, Social Media

Debasmita Patra, Communications

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III. Minutes:

1. Dani, President, presented the minutes of the Sept 2019 meeting. The minutes were accepted as presented.
2. Christy Pine made a motion to approve the minutes, and Risa Carlson seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. President's Report:

1. Dani, President,
 - a) Directory will be online now. It's connected to family file.
 - b) Yearbook. In previous years Mrs. Rausch and Mrs. Register have done yearbook. With changes in staffing they cannot do it anymore. They don't have time. Christy and Dani can do it since they are considered staff members. Need pictures from events if you take pictures please share.
 - c) We would like to approve that on nights like Bingo and the picnic that PTA make a dinner available to staff that stays and participates. It's such a long day for them and they contribute a lot.
 - (1) Christy Pine made motion to approve PTA providing dinner to staff that stay for after-school PTA activities. Vanessa Beltran seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.
 - d) Swansfield PTA reached out and invited everyone on the board to come to fall festival, on the 26th of October. It's sponsored by Harpers Choice. If you are affected by redistricting it may be a good idea to get to know the Swansfield community and attend.
 - e) All community chairs, please get back plans of action as soon as possible.
 - f) Swansfield's Blessings in a Backpack. This is a national program that Swansfield ES participates in. They collect donations and with it send food home to kids for the weekend. They have 45 kids already sponsored but they could sponsor more. Running Brook ES participates as well. Anyone who needs information or wants to make a donation, please contact Dani or Rebecca.

V. Administrators' Report:

1. Sonia, on behalf of Mr. Cosentino, Principal,
 - a) Could not attend he was at the American Federation of School Administrators.
 - b) PTA School of Excellence survey was done and we had 26 participants. Next thing we need to do is form a committee and pick one of the questions from the survey where we had a low score on, and then implement a plan of action to work on and improve it. The committee doesn't need to be picked today. We can revisit this in the next meeting.
2. Mrs. Hurd, Assistant Principal,
 - a) We are half way through MAP testing. The window closes last day in October.
 - b) Building Community in Classrooms is going really well. It's amazing to see the students take it on and they are bringing up their own topics to the circle. Consider asking your child how Community Circles is going.

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VI. Treasurer's Report:

1. Liz, Treasurer,
 - a) Budget is up to date with everything current.

VII. 1st Vice President's Report:

1. Christy, 1st Vice President,
 - a) Thank you for all that came to Family Fun Night. Thank you for staff for coming we know its a long day. It went well.
 - b) Kids Art, had contacted Christy and asked if we wanted to do something with them as a class or fundraiser. This may be a good way to do something to raise funds since school budget has been cut. Maybe we could consider doing it during conferences, when the kids who come don't have anything to do.
 - c) Skate Night is coming soon, it will be January 11th at Supreme Sports Club.

VIII. 2nd Vice President's Report:

1. Eileen "Lea", 2nd Vice President,
 - a) We were trying to get more teachers to come out to Family Fun Night more regularly.
 - b) Right now, teachers are planning for a Math Night to happen before the holidays.
 - c) Bingo, whoever is in charge of Bingo please let me know so I can coordinate with teachers.
 - d) Conferences are already opened for teachers. They open for parents the second week of November
 - e) American Education Week. It is a week where anyone, parents or grandparents, can come in to watch or shadow your kids all day, and see how school is!

IX. PTA Council of Howard County (PTACHC) Report:

1. Karen, PTACHC Rep,
 - a) The PTACHC event got moved to a different date and it was missed, no report.

X. Committee's Report:

1. Dani, President, on behalf of Carrie, Read-a-thon,
 - a) Not sure how it's going. Discussion ensued about consolidating it with Book Fair or with winter reading.
2. Dani, President, on behalf of Corrine, ****see attached report, pg 6***
 - a) We are still waiting for PTA membership cards.
 - b) Some people have not been able to make online payments.
 - c) About 150 households have signed up for membership. We've raised over \$8,000.
3. Jennie, Restaurant Nights,
 - a) First was at Corner Bakery.
 - b) Next one will be on October 30th at Chick-fil-A. It will run all day.

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- c) November 11th, at Common Kitchen, new food court kitchen in Clarksville.
 - d) December 2nd, Grotto Pizza.
4. Allie, Book Fair,
- a) Will be same night at Bingo Night, November 15th. There will be a preview day for teachers.
5. Jennifer, Spiritwear,
- a) Apparel finalized, just waiting to get the website live from the vendor to advertise.
 - b) Orders must be online.
 - c) We are going to purchase water bottles, but they won't be ordered through the Spiritwear vendor. We can sell separately water bottles separately at Bingo or other night.
6. Alex, Bingo Night,
- a) Christy felt that last year mystery caller fell flat. Asking if anyone is attached to the mystery caller or if we can just call and simplify callers. Need 4 slots for callers. Teachers may like to go in pairs.
7. PTA Reflections, Risa
- a) Nothing New
 - b) Deadline is Nov 18th.
 - c) Theme is: Look Within.
8. Suzanne, Cultural Arts,
- a) Looking for activities
 - b) Science of Spring, April 20th. 5th graders have ELA testing so we may fit them in in the morning session.
 - c) Time Machine, a dance group that does African American history through dance.
 - d) Andes Manta? They perform music of the Andes different traditional instruments.
 - e) These are main 3 artist we are considering. Have others in consideration but will see what budget is remaining after main events are finalized.
9. Rachel, Staff Appreciation, Conferences,
- a) For Parent/Teacher conferences we are ordering Wegmans for teacher's dinner on November 25th. Need to give them a number of how many teachers to know how much to order. It was decided that we should order for between 50-60 teachers. Discussion ensued about getting donations. Food will be set up in the cafeteria.
10. Louise, Grants,
- a) Verizon Foundations, grant for mental health. It's going up to \$ 600 from \$500. Kids are using tool kits from last year and it seems to have been a great benefit.

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XI. New Business:

1. Dani, Family Fit Night,
 - a) Talked to Mr. Cosentino about restarting it. Talked to a parent (Christine Buck) and she is on board and excited, also knows many trainers who could participate. February

XII. Unfinished Business:

1. 4th grade field trip, Schmit said he is more than happy to organize it. Busses is the only cost that needs to be worked out.
2. Jennie, offered to organize a bake sale as fundraiser for PTA student enrichment.
 - a) Approval of Bake Sale. Eileen Billingsley, made a motion to set up a bake sale during Parent/Teacher Conferences. Christy Pine seconded it. Vote was unanimously approved.

XIII. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm

Vanessa Beltrán, Recording Secretary

Membership Report
- Corrine Benjamine

| PTA Membership Information 2019-2020 | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total Received | \$10,595.00 |
| - Membership Fees Received | \$2,330.00 |
| - Family Membership Fees | \$1,815.00 |
| - Single Membership Fees | \$290.00 |
| - Staff Membership Fees | \$225.00 |
| - Donations Received | \$8,265.00 |
| Total Members | 150 |
| - Family Members | 121 |
| - Single Members | 29 |
| - Staff Members | 45 |
| - Non-Members who have donated | 5 |

CCES PTA October Sign-In Sheet

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (BOARD OF DIRECTORS)

| | | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | President | Dani Gardner | <i>Dani Gardner</i> | 1 |
| 2 | 1st VP (Program Chair) & Parent Partners | Christy Pine | <i>Christy Pine</i> | 2 |
| 3 | 2nd VP (Staff Liaison) | (Eileen) Lea Billingsley | <i>Lea Billingsley</i> | 3 |
| 4 | Recording Secretary & Play Coordinator | Vanessa Beltran | <i>Vanessa Beltran</i> | 4 |
| 5 | Corresponding Secretary | Jennifer Jackson | <i>Jennifer Jackson</i> | 5 |
| 6 | Treasurer | Elizabeth Laney | <i>Elizabeth Laney</i> | 6 |

ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVES

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|---|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|---|
| 7 | Principal | Edward Cosentino | | |
| 8 | Assistant Principal | Sonia Hurd | <i>Sonia Hurd</i> | 7 |

ADDITIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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|----|----------------------------|---------------|------------------|---|
| 9 | CAC Representative | | | |
| 10 | GTAC Representative | Sharon Barnes | | |
| 11 | PTACHC Rep (1) & Book Fair | Karen Pang | <i>-Present-</i> | 8 |
| 12 | PTACHC Rep (2) | | | |
| 13 | SECAC Rep | | | |
| 14 | SIT Representative | | | |

STANDING COMMITTEES (BOARD OF DIRECTORS)

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|----|--|----------------------|--------------------------|----|
| 15 | After School Activities | Karolina DuBois | | |
| 16 | Assistant Treasurer & Memory Book | Joy Spies | | |
| 17 | Audit Committee & Policy | Ryan Genovese | | |
| 18 | Audit Committee | Meghan Skaggs | | |
| 19 | | Giulia Taraszkiewicz | | |
| 20 | Cultural Arts, International Night & Reflections | Risa Carlson | <i>Risa Carlson</i> | 9 |
| 21 | Cultural Arts, International Night & Print Secretary | Suzanne Papailiou | <i>Suzanne Papailiou</i> | 10 |
| 22 | Grant Application | Louise Valentine | <i>Louise Valentine</i> | 11 |
| 23 | Membership | Corrine Benjamin | | |
| 24 | Staff Appreciation | Rachael Kelly | <i>Rachael Kelly</i> | 12 |
| 25 | | Raghavi Patel | | |
| 26 | STEM Activities & Science Fair | Chris McDonald | | |

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| 27 | STEM Activities & Book Fair | Allie McDonald | <i>Allie McDonald</i> | 13 |
| 28 | Social Media | Jenn Aballo | | |
| 29 | Volunteer Coordinator | Debasmita Patra | | |

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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|----|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| 30 | Awards | Andrea Nelson | | |
| 31 | Bingo Night | Alex Kent | <i>Alex Kent</i> | 14 |
| 32 | Bulletin Board | Heather Moraff | | |
| 33 | Community Outreach | | | |
| 34 | Holiday Shop | Nicole Bellows | | |
| 35 | Inclusion | Emily Livelsberger | | |
| 36 | Newcomers | Rebecca Sanches | | |
| 37 | Paw Print Press, Spiritwear, & Talent Show | Christine Porras | | |
| 38 | Read-a-thon | Carrie Seidman | | |
| 39 | Restaurant Nights | Alice Pax | | |
| 40 | | Jennie Wang | <i>Jennie Wang</i> | 15 |
| 41 | Retail Promotions (Box Tops/ Amazon) | Julia Griffiths | | |
| 42 | Spiritwear | Jennifer Jackson | <i>Jennifer Jackson</i> | 16 |
| 43 | Spring Carnival | Alex Kent | | |
| 44 | <i>Student Directory</i> | Shaki Mitchell | | |
| 45 | | Jen Nwosu | <i>Jen Nwosu</i> | |
| 46 | Visiting Author | Gisela Baptiste | | |
| 47 | Website Content | Jennifer Champion | | |
| 48 | Web Master | Brian Nelson | | |

GUEST

| | Position (if applicable) | Name (Print) | Signature | |
|----|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----|
| 49 | | <i>Shaki Mitchell</i> | <i>Shaki Mitchell</i> | 17 |
| 50 | | <i>William Josiger</i> | <i>William Josiger</i> | 18 |
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