



# PTSA General Meeting Minutes October 20, 2020

Call to order 6:10 pm

Attendance – Caryl White, Bridget Turner, Brooke Skyrme, Pavithra Narayan, Principal Nikisha Deihl and Alicia Jackson

## A. Treasurer's Report: Brooke Skyrme

1. Presented monthly report
  - Membership payments submitted through MemberHUB to Virginia PTA.
  - Checks paid since September were:
    - Annual insurance premium of \$515
    - Lightridge HS PTA of \$500
    - Willard MS PTA of \$500
  - Payment for software to support two PEAK Teachers. 2020-21 Approved Budget line item 219.
  - Several school year 2019-20 PROWL spring cancellation reimburse checks still remain uncashed.
    - Will initiate email notification or cross-reference to locate physical mailing addresses in order to send letters to families reminding them to deposit checks.
    - Otherwise, the uncashed checks will be written off at the end of calendar year 2020.

## B. Officer's Reports

1. President's Report: Caryl White

- Moe's Taco Night profit \$65
  - Sold 13 Taco kits.
  - Will verify with Lunsford and Willard their final results to determine which school has won Battle bragging rights.
- PROWL fall sessions will be conducted virtually
  - Seventy-one (71) students signed up thus far with majority registered for:
    - Math
    - American Sign Language
    - Creative Writing

2. Principal's Report: Nikisha Diehl

- End of the first Quarter of the current school year is October 28.
- Students will be switching to an AB schedule beginning November 4th.
- Return to school will occur with 2 small groups:
  - Three (3) students returned to in-person teaching on October 18.
  - Three (3) additional students will return to school on October 27.
- October 26 is a Student Holiday.
  - ~~Students are encouraged to take a break and not conduct any school related activity.~~
- Teachers are excited and hopeful about the way distance learning has been conducted thus far.
  - The Administrative Team participates in virtual classroom sessions every week.
- Teachers are looking forward to seeing students in-person.

3. VP of Events: Bridget Turner

- Activities planned for SY2020-21 are:
  - Mercer Movie Night
    - Recommendation is to present four movies for the school year.
    - Signature Mercer Movie Night with a treat bucket.
    - License and offered movie.
      - Caryl and Bridget to research
        - Use of The Alamo Drive-In
        - Sharing the cost of the licensing fee with surrounding schools and each pay the \$150 fee per movie.
      - Principal Diehl to research if the county already has an existing license.
  - Bingo Night
    - Provide breakout rooms for participants i.e. 10 people per room.
  - Virtual Sweater Night in December

**C. New Business**

- Mask Our Teachers - Principal Diehl suggested PTSA make a contribution to assisting with purchasing a Mercer logo mask for each teacher.
  - Cheer Sport has an agreement with the LCPS school system.

**D. Any other Business**

- MSAAC next meeting on Wednesday, October 21, 7-9pm. Topic: Anti-Racism.

**E. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm meeting

Next meeting: November 17, 2020

---