

**CES PTA Meeting Minutes**  
**April 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm**  
**Virtual - Google Meet**  
[meet.google.com/mbm-uzki-umf](https://meet.google.com/mbm-uzki-umf)  
**Join by phone**  
**(US) +1 401-702-0696 PIN: 808 351 954#**

*Meeting called to order at 7:03*

**Attendees:**

**Board Members:**

Eileen Brewer (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President) Jennifer Sager (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President), Rebecca Gorsuch (Secretary), Bridget Celedon (PTA Council of Howard County Delegate)

**Members:**

Emily Kroiss, Annika Luke, Casey Christensen, Rula Sadik, Kumaravel Jagasivamani, Meghan Nickerson, Carmen Cheng, Valerie Owen, Meredith Sterrett, Elizabeth Eakle, Erin Brooks, Sonja Tosh, Malini Kishore, Meaza Gebre, Shell Peele, Diana Carlina Ayala, Daisy Liu, Shantah Omeally, Huiying Li, Nana Dadzie, Alis Vlogs,

**CES Administration and Staff:**

Robin Malcotti (Principle), Cherilyn Brown (Assistant Principal), Molly Miller (1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher)

**1. Principal / Assistant Principal's Items**

- a. Busy Home stretch for the end of the year- please read the newsletters so you don't miss anything
- b. Staffing for next year- additional classroom teacher for 5<sup>th</sup> grade next year, K-5 will each have 4 teachers as of this moment. Kindergarten could change based on registration
- c. Teachers are excited to participate in a Spring Fling Raffle from grade level teams
- d. Student consideration forms will go out in May (electronic) - for families to share info about their children and learning style for next year's placement
- e. Indicators of educational equity survey coming home soon

**2. President / Vice President Items**

- a. Approval of Minutes – Jen Sager asked for a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. Malini Kishore seconded. A voice vote was called with no opposition, the motion carried.
- b. Shed Update- will be put together on Saturday and installed in the courtyard. Still looking for help to put together if anyone is available 4/24 AM. Contact Jen Sager

- c. Bookfair BINGO- tentatively Monday 5/9
- d. Directory- closed sale on paper directories. Copies mostly sold, but contact Jen or Eileen if you'd like to buy one of the few paper copies remaining
- e. Vacancies- need committee chairs for yearbook, hospitality, website and membership. The board treasurer position is also vacant (~2 hours per week commitment). Please reach out to Jen or Eileen if you are interested. Elections will be during the May PTA meeting.
- f. Bylaws- every 3 years have to vote to approve the bylaws, review (sent in PTA meeting invite) and vote will occur at May PTA meeting, please contact Eileen with any questions prior to the meeting

3. **Membership Update-** no update

4. **Treasurer Report-** no update

5. **PTACHC Report-** no update

## 6. **Committee Reports**

- a. Yearbook
  - i. Last day to order is 4/20
  - ii. 5<sup>th</sup> grade message about what your student will be in 20 years is free to participate- please submit electronically (link in PTA newsletter)
  - iii. Spring fling pictures can be uploaded after the event- editing will begin the end of this month.
  - iv. Electronic portal can remain for next year for the parent that takes over
- b. 5th Grade Committee
  - i. Field trip request to order buses for the picnic or RHHS instead- awaiting staff update
  - ii. Meredith will post to 5<sup>th</sup> grade FB page about yearbook 20-year submission
  - iii. Still trying to fill *Pie a 5<sup>th</sup> Grader*” time slots at Spring Fling
- c. Reflections- no update
- d. Hospitality/Staff Appreciation
  - i. Discussion about Teacher Appreciation Week
  - ii. In the past the PTA will do a catered meal & 5<sup>th</sup> grade does breakfast
  - iii. PTA will put out suggestions for families for each day of the week
- e. International Night
  - i. 6 countries committed; usually 8-13 counties; still hoping for more interest post Spring Break
  - ii. Missing India, America, Caribbean (usually represented, will reach out to previous volunteers)

- iii. Will promote at Spring Fling & add encouragement for students in the morning announcements
- iv. Contact Julia ([julia\\_blalock@hcpss.org](mailto:julia_blalock@hcpss.org); principal's secretary) to reserve space for Talent Show practices at the school
- f. Fundraising-
  - i. Spring Fling
    - 1. Signs
      - a. 18 Spring Fling signs around the neighborhood
      - b. Have large signs that need places to hang
    - 2. Volunteers! [signupgenius](#)
      - a. Need volunteers for Spring Fling signup
      - b. Need to rent flame retardant tents if anyone can lend a tent
      - c. Signup for equipment lend/borrow
      - d. Need high school volunteers- community service hours given
    - 3. Sponsorship- would love to have more sponsorship tables- a great opportunity to advertise
    - 4. Cake walk- need donations of cakes & need someone to run the event
    - 5. 4 different entertainment vendors & POE the Raven coming
    - 6. Cash only for all day of tickets- need to advertise that way
  - ii. Fun Run
    - 1. 99pledges check arrived today!
    - 2. 7300 raised in Fun Run; Cost of the winning class parties needs to be deducted; only 5<sup>th</sup> grade has had their celebration
    - 3. Would like to move the fun run to Oct next year and include a costume aspect.
    - 4. Need to add agenda item for next PTA meeting to agree on Oct date
- g. After School Programs- over the summer will be notified of the fall offerings
- h. Kindergarten Connection- email issue fixed, first event at the spring fling

## 7. Q & A

## 8. Adjournment 8:28pm

### Upcoming Dates:

- **April 30:** Spring Fling 3-7 pm
- **May 9:** Book Fair Bingo
- **May 10:** PTA meeting 7 pm
- **May 11:** Mimi's Kabob Restaurant night
- **May 20:** International Night 6-9pm

