

# Miner PTO General Meeting

October 2, 2018

Did you know...

Miner's roof is covered in solar panels, which supply about a quarter of Miner's electricity needs!

# Agenda

**6:00 - 6:05 Welcome**

**6:05 - 6:15 Principal's Report**

**6:15 - 6:30 Special Topic: Master Site Plan**

**6:30 - 6:35 LSAT & PreK Parent Committee Reports**

**6:35 - 6:40 PTO President & VP Report**

**6:40 - 6:45 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports**

**6:45 - 6:50 Garden Team Report**

**6:50 - 7:00 Committee Reports**

**7:00 - 7:05 Upcoming Events, Reminders, Opportunities**

**Open Comment:** Other joys, concerns, or questions?

# Welcome!

- Babysitting is provided free of charge (including dinner) by Christ City Church DC in room 101
- Refreshments & Light Dinner
  - Suggested donation of \$2 per pizza slice
  - Please let us know if you'd like to contribute food or funding for future PTO meetings
- Next PTO meeting date: Tuesday, November 13 at 6:00pm
- Reading of the minutes from the September General Meeting

# Principal's Report

Mr. Jackson

# Special Topic:

## Master Site Plan

# LSAT and PreK Parent Committee Reports

# 2018-19 LSAT Parent Rep Vacancy

- Open to parents and guardians of current Miner Students
- Nominations, including self-nominations, are due Friday, October 5 at 4:00pm
- To nominate/self-nominate, fill out a nomination form (in the office) or email Julie Muir at [julie.hodgson.muir@gmail.com](mailto:julie.hodgson.muir@gmail.com)
- Provide your name, student(s) grade(s), contact info, and a brief explanation of why you are interested in running (this will be included on the ballot)
- Ballots will go home in backpacks on Tuesday, October 9 and will be due by October 15
- Results will be announced so the winner can attend the next LSAT meeting on October 16

# Regular PTO Business



# President & VP Reports

- ECE Playground is open!
- Move!Play!Grow! Kickoff
- Walk-to-School Day is October 10
- Recycling Program Kickoff
- Proposed Bylaw Changes

# Miner Recycling Plan

Phase I: Custodial staff - familiarize with sorting waste

Phase II: K-2nd - lunchtime recycling

Phase III: 3rd-5th & ECE - lunchtime recycling

Phase IV: All students & staff - recycle paper in classrooms

# Proposed Bylaws Changes (1 of 4)

## PROPOSAL 1 - ARTICLE III "OFFICERS"

NEW: Section 8: VOTING - When voting as a body, a member of the Executive Board is only eligible to vote if they are present during the vote, either in person or in voice contact (e.g. phone, video). Absentee or proxy votes are not allowed. Voting by correspondence is only permissible in cases of unanimous consent of all members of the Executive Board.

RATIONALE: Clarifies voting for EB. Similar to Article IV, Section II for membership. Also, will align bylaws to relevant provisions in DC Code, Title 29, Chapter 4 "Nonprofit Corporation"

# Proposed Bylaws Changes (2 of 4)

## PROPOSAL 2 - ARTICLE III "OFFICERS"

NEW: Section 9: QUORUM - Two-thirds of the total number of Executive Board members constitute quorum for the purpose of voting.

RATIONALE: Clarifies quorum for EB. Similar to Article IV, Section III for membership.

# Proposed Bylaws Changes (3 of 4)

## PROPOSAL 3 - ARTICLE III "OFFICERS"

NEW: Section 10: MAJORITY APPROVAL - A motion passes through an affirmative vote of a majority of the total number of Executive Board members.

RATIONALE: Clarifies meaning of majority for EB, consistent with one of several generally accepted definitions.

# Proposed Bylaws Changes (4 of 4)

## PROPOSAL 4 - ARTICLE IV "MEETINGS"

NEW: Section 4: MAJORITY APPROVAL - A motion passes through an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast by Voting Members.

RATIONALE: Clarifies meaning of majority for membership, consistent with one of several generally accepted definitions.

# Treasurer Report

*Cash Summary 9/7/18 - 9/30/18*

Balance as of September 7, 2018:	\$ 9,224
Plus: Income (September 7 - September 30):	\$ 6,433
Less: Expenses (September 7 - September 30):	\$ (10,502)
<b>Balance as of September 30, 2018:</b>	<b>\$ 5,155</b>
Uncleared Transaction	\$ 10,397**

\*\*Includes OSSE Grant Reimbursement Check that has been received but not yet deposited to the bank

# Treasurer Report

2018-2019 Budget

<b>Budget Account</b>	<b>Proposed Expenditures (\$)</b>	<b>Expected Income (\$)</b>
Starting Balance		22,037
Administrative	2,300	0
Classroom Support	8,200	0
Schoolwide Support	19,750	6,400
Field Trip Support	7,200	0
Appreciation & Recognitic.	3,000	0
Communications	5,000	3,800
Community Engagement	500	0
Facilities & Grounds	5,500	0
Family Engagement & Events	4,000	0
Family Support	1,800	0
Fundraising & Grants	10,650	49,300
Garden	22,450	20,750
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90,330</b>	<b>102,287</b>



# Treasurer Report

*2018-2019 Budget Highlights*

## Fundraising Goals:

- \$15,000 for Bear Paw Fund (Explore!Excite!Expand! family focus)
- \$15,000 for Bear Paw Fund (Move!Play!Grow! business focus)
- \$5,000 for Holiday Greenery Sale
- \$2,500 for Spring Community Yard Sale

## Funding Priorities:

### Highest (Funding is assured)

### Secondary (If funds available)

- \$8,200 for classroom support (“mini” grants to teachers and staff)
  - \$2,300 for books for classroom libraries
  - \$1,500 for after school extracurriculars, clubs, and sports
  - \$3,000 for appreciation & recognition events
  - \$4,000 for family engagement events
  - \$1,800 for family support efforts
  - ~\$20,000 for gardens (via grant)
- \$5,000 for classroom technology
  - \$5,500 for field trips for every grade level
  - \$5,500 for facilities & grounds repairs & upgrades

# Teacher Representative Reports

Ms. Unger (Grades 3-5)

Mr. Riddick (Grades K-2)

Ms. Cummings (ECE)

# Garden Team Report





# “Peace Garden Community Day & Party” with Cultivate the City

Saturday, October 20 (10 am - noon)

Sign painting

New fence installation

Pumpkin decorating (and pumpkins for sale!)

Healthy snacks

Other fun games & activities

# Committee Reports

## The Month Ahead Newsletter

- Monthly Update
- Committee Reports
- Posted on website and sent to PTO email list after the PTO General Meeting
- Hard copy available tonight (and it will also go home in the Tuesday folder the week following the PTO General Meeting)

*If you are interested in joining any of our Committees, please reach out to the Committee chair(s).*

# Committee Reports

- Appreciation & Recognition: Jessica Burniske, Justin Burniske, and Emily Cahill
- Communications: Jen Barrie
- Community Engagement (acting): Katy Thomas
- Facilities & Grounds: Billy Lynch and David Treat
- Family Engagement & Events: Ms. Theresa Dorsey and Mariana Jones
- Family Support: Bernadette Wittschen and Julie Muir
- Fundraising & Grants: Maggie Ben-Or



# Upcoming Events, Reminders & Opportunities

# Upcoming Events (1 of 5)

## Thursday, October 4

- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Leckie ES // Soccer Game:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Leckie Elementary School!

## Monday, October 8

- **School Closed:** Columbus Day Holiday

## Wednesday, October 10

- **7:30 AM in Lincoln Park // Walk-to-School Day:** Join families from Miner and our sister schools on Capitol Hill for this annual tradition! Meet in the park to gather and hear speeches from local dignitaries, then walk together to Miner to start the day! More information [here](#).

# Upcoming Events (2 of 5)

## Thursday, October 11

- **7:00 PM in the cafeteria // Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Monthly Meeting:** Further information and a meeting agenda are available on the ANC6A website: <http://anc6a.org>

## Tuesday, October 16

- **5:00 PM - 6:30 PM in the Large Group Instruction Room // LSAT Meeting:** All are welcome to observe the Local School Advisory Team's discussions with Principal Jackson. More information about the LSAT [here](#).

## Wednesday, October 17

- **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in the Gym // Specials Teachers Meet & Greet: Specials Teachers Meet & Greet:** Parents are invited to come and meet our five specials teachers and ask questions about Miner's special subjects: Library, Physical Education/Health, Visual Arts, Music, and World Language (Spanish).

# Upcoming Events (3 of 5)

## Thursday, October 18

- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Burrville ES // Soccer Game:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Burville Elementary School!

## Saturday, October 20

- **10:00 AM - Noon in the Peace Garden // Peace Garden Community Day & Playdate:** Miner families, friends, and neighbors are invited to come out for some fall fun, and maybe a little gardening too! The Peace Garden is made possible through a partnership with [Cultivate the City](#) who helps to keep us growing!

## Thursday, October 25

- **No School for Students:** Professional Development Day for Teachers

# Upcoming Events (4 of 5)

## Friday, October 26

- **No School for Students:** Professional Development Day for Teachers and Records Day
- **5:30 PM - 7:30 PM at Eastern Market // Hilloween:** come out and have some Halloween fun at this Capitol Hill tradition!

## Wednesday, October 31

- **Time TBD // Oktoberfest:** Miner's scholars will have a costume parade around the block, then have fun playing games and engaging in other activities during our annual fall/Halloween festival.
- **4:00 PM - 6:00 PM // Halloween Party:** After the school day is over, the PTO will be sponsoring a Halloween Party with a DJ, games, and trick-or-treating.

## Thursday, November 1

- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Thomas ES // Soccer Game:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Thomas Elementary School!

# Upcoming Events (5 of 5)

## Saturday, November 3

- **2:00 PM - 5:00 PM at Capitol Hill Day School // MoTH School Fair:** The Annual Moms on The Hill (MoTH) School Fair is our chance to meet parents from the neighborhood who are interested in learning more about Miner. We've had a good presence the past couple of years, and engaged with a good number of few parents seeking information about Miner. If you're enthusiastic about Miner, we'd love to have you at our information table!

## Tuesday, November 13

- **6:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the cafeteria // PTO General Meeting:** Join us for the PTO's regular monthly meeting for membership to hear the latest news, developments, and plans from the PTO leadership, Principal Jackson, and special guests. Light refreshments and free babysitting provided.

# Reminders & Opportunities

- Community Engagement Committee
  - Chair
  - CHPSPPO Representative
- Graphic Designer
- Oktoberfest Volunteers
- Classroom Volunteers Needed!
  - Requirements:
    - TB test (free testing at HOYA Clinic at DC General). For more information on HOYA Clinic, visit [hoyaclinic.som.georgetown.edu/](http://hoyaclinic.som.georgetown.edu/)
    - Background Check (application & fingerprinting). To find the fingerprint application, click [here](#)
  - For more information, visit the DCPS classroom volunteer page [here](#)

# Thank You!

Any joys, questions, or concerns that you'd like to share?