

Miner PTO General Meeting

February 5, 2019

Dates to remember:

- February 19-22 - February Recess
- March 9 - Community Yard Sale
 - April 12 - Spring Dance

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome and Approval of the Minutes

6:05 - 6:20 Special Topic: Jessica Sutter, Ward 6 SBOE Representative

6:20 - 6:25 LSAT & PreK Parent Committee Reports

6:25 - 6:30 PTO President & VP Report

6:30 - 6:35 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports

6:35 - 6:40 Garden Team Report

6:40 - 6:45 Committee Reports

6:45 - 6:55 Principal's Report

6:55 - 7:00 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 103
- 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, March 5, at 6:00pm
- Reading of the minutes from the December General Meeting

Special Topic

Jessica Sutter

Ward 6 State Board of Education
Representative

Upcoming Miner Open Houses & Events

- February 13th -- 5:00pm (K-5 Open House)
- February 27th -- 5:30pm (PreK Open House)
- March 1st -- DCPS Common Lottery Applications Due*
- March 9th -- 12PM (Spring Playdate for all prospective families)

**The common school lottery closes Friday, March 1. Apply [here](#). Miner is a DCPS "Early Action" school, so if you're in bounds for Miner, you're guaranteed a PreK3/PreK4 seat if you include Miner on your lottery application.*

LSAT and PreK Parent Committee Reports

- Next LSAT meeting: February 12
- Next PreK Parent Committee meeting: February 7

Regular PTO Business

President & VP Reports

- 4th Annual Community Yard Sale
- Spring Playdate
- Summer camp at Miner - online registration is now open at <https://dcadventurecamp.com/>
- Thank you to Ms. Esdaile!
- Outdoor recess
- Online Spirit Store
- Grants

4th Annual Community Yard Sale

- Date: March 9, 9am - 1pm
- Donations accepted: February 4 - March 8
- E-waste and hazardous waste can be dropped off the morning of the sale until noon
- Volunteers needed before and during the sale
- Visit our website at <https://www.minerelementary.org/yardsale.html> for more information

Online Spirit Store

The online spirit store is officially up and running!

Visit our [CafePress online store](https://www.minerelementary.org/spirit-store.html) or original Spirit Store (<https://www.minerelementary.org/spirit-store.html>) for all of your Miner shopping needs!

All Miner branded gear that you purchase from the online store is acceptable as part of your student's school uniform.



PTO Grants

Classroom Grants - Available NOW

- Must be used for direct classroom or instructional use. Teachers, staff, or grade levels can pool their grants into a single request for funding
- Teachers/staff may claim their grant either by having the PTO directly purchase the requested items or through reimbursement if the teacher/staff wishes to make the up-front purchase the items themselves
- The PTO will process only one purchase or reimbursement per teacher/staff per school year. If a teacher wishes to be reimbursed, they may submit as many online reimbursement requests with receipts as they like, but the PTO will write a reimbursement check for them only when the total value of reimbursement requests reaches the funding maximum (or the cutoff date passes)
- All requests must be submitted by May 1, 2019

PTO Grants

Field Trip Grants - Available 2019

- Reassessing budget in January to determine amount available
- Grades 1-5: each grade has a single allocation (not per teacher) so homerooms will go on field trips together
- Kindergarten and ECE classes can each use their grant as a grade level or individually (as a whole grade level is preferred but not required due to the number of classrooms)

Clubs/Sports/Extracurricular Activities - Available NOW

- \$500 for first semester (\$300 remaining)
- \$1,000 for second semester
- All requests must go through Mr. Jackson first
- All requests must be submitted by May 1, 2019

Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Summary 12/3/18 - 1/29/19

Balance as of December 3, 2018:	\$	27,977
Plus: Income (Dec. 3 - Jan. 30, 2019):	\$	6,243
Less: Expenses (Dec. 3 - Jan. 30, 2019):	\$	(6,927)
Balance as of January 29, 2018:	\$	27,293

Treasurer Report (Fiscal Year)

Budget to Actuals

SY 18 - 19 7/1/18-6/30/19 As of 1.29.19				
		<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>DELTA</u>
SY 18- 19 Income	Code			
DONATIONS	DON		18,889	
FUNDRAISING SALES	SALES		18,357	
OSSE GRANT REIMBURSEMENTS	OSSE		12,957	
OTHER GRANTS	Other Grants		2,900	
Total Income			53,103	
SY 18-19 Expenses				
ADMINISTRATIVE	A&O	(2,300)	(771)	(1,529)
CLASSROOM SUPPORT	CS	(8,200)	(2,000)	(6,200)
SCHOOLWIDE SUPPORT	SWS	(20,250)	(9,737)	(10,513)
FIELD TRIP SUPPORT	FTS	(7,200)	-	(7,200)
APPRECIATION & RECOGNITION	A&R	(3,000)	(699)	(2,301)
COMMUNICATIONS	COM	(5,000)	(315)	(4,685)
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	CE	(500)	(147)	(353)
FACILITIES & GROUNDS	FAC	(5,500)	(2,620)	(2,880)
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT & EVENTS	FE&E	(4,000)	(2,446)	(1,554)
FAMILY SUPPORT	FS	(1,800)	(478)	(1,322)
FUNDRAISING & GRANTS	F&G	(10,650)	(10,194)	(456)
GARDEN	GAR	(22,450)	(18,441)	(4,009)
Total Expenses		(90,850)	(47,847)	(43,003)

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Fundraising Update

Fund	Budget	Pledged	Received	Shortfall
Bear Paw Fund	15,000	12,470	11,869	(2,530)
Move Play Grow	15,000	6,553	6,553	(8,447)
Total	30,000	19,023	18,422	(10,977)

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Teacher Representative Reports

Ms. Unger (Grades 3-5)

Mr. Riddick (Grades K-2)

Ms. Cummings (ECE)

Garden Team Report

- Our next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, February 14, at 3:30PM. All are welcome to attend!

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

Principal's Report

Mr. Jackson

Upcoming Events, Reminders & Opportunities

Upcoming Events (1 of 3)

Thursday, February 7

- **4:00 PM at HD Woodson HS // Basketball Game:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears!
- **5:15 PM - 6:00 PM in Room 101 // PreK Parent Committee Meeting:** PK3 and PK4 parents meet to discuss upcoming ECE events and get the latest news from DCPS Early Childhood Division.

Monday, February 11

- **Time & Location TBA // Parent Appreciation Week: Muffins for Mom & Donuts for Dad:** All Miner parents and guardians are welcome to kick off Parent Appreciation Week with some tasty morning treats.

Tuesday, February 12

- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the Art Studio // Parent Appreciation Week: Paint & Sip:** Miner's Art teacher, Ms. Rosettie, will be hosting a fun painting event. If you're interested, see Community School Coordinator Ms. Woodson (mwoodson@ebfsc.org). 20 spots are available.
- **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](#).

Upcoming Events (2 of 3)

Wednesday, February 13

- **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the gym // Parent Appreciation Week: Yoga Night:** Yoga District will be leading a yoga class. If you're interested, see Community School Coordinator Ms. Woodson (mwoodson@ebfsc.org) or ECE Family Services Coordinator Ms. Brissett (Eilanete.Brissett@dc.gov). 25 spots are available.
- **5:00 PM - 6:00 PM in Room 103 // Upper Grade Open House:** Parents of students K-5 are invited to hear all about Miner and have their questions answered. No RSVP is necessary and kids are welcome to attend too!

Thursday, February 14

- **3:30 PM - 4:30 PM in the ECE Kitchen // School Garden Team Meeting:** The monthly status meeting about Miner's garden program. All interested in Miner's gardens are welcome to attend.
- **4:00 PM at Watkins ES // Basketball Game:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Watkins ES!
- **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>

Friday, February 15

- **Time & Location TBA // Parent Appreciation Week: Giveaways!:** To thank our parents and guardians, we will be conducting giveaways to cap off Parent Appreciation Week. Thank you parents!

Upcoming Events (3 of 3)

Monday, February 18

- **School Closed:** President's Day Holiday

Tuesday, February 19 - Friday, February 22

- **School Closed:** February Recess

Wednesday, February 27

- **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in Room 101 // ECE Open House:** This is the final of six opportunities for prospective parents and families interested in Miner for PreK3 or PreK4 to come hear about our Early Childhood program and what we have to offer. This morning's session will include classroom visits. Children are welcome to attend!

Friday, March 1

- **MySchoolDC Lottery closes:** Make sure to apply [here](#) before the deadline.

Tuesday, March 5

- **6:00 PM - 7:30 PM in the cafeteria // PTO General Meeting:** This is the PTO's regular monthly meeting for the 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
- Fundraising and Grants Committee
 - Volunteers and donations needed for the Community Yard Sale. Please see our website, <https://www.minerelementary.org/yardsale.html> and email minerpto@gmail.com if you are able to help out!
- Appreciation and Recognition Committee
 - If you are able to help out at school the morning of February 14 for our February appreciation activity, please email emily.novinskie@gmail.com
- Classroom Volunteers Needed!
 - Requirements:
 - TB test
 - 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?