

# Miner PTO General Meeting

May 7, 2019

It's time for PTO and LSAT Elections!  
Election Packets are available at the sign-in  
table, in the Main Office, or online at  
<https://www.minerelementary.org/election.htm>

# Agenda

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

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

**6:15 - 6:20 Special Topic: DC Solar**

**6:20 - 6:35 Special Topic: PTO & LSAT Election Q&A**

**6:35 - 6:40 LSAT & PreK Parent Committee Reports**

**6:40 - 6:45 PTO President & VP Report**

**6:45 - 6:50 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports**

**6:50 - 6:55 Garden Team Report**

**6:55 - 7:05 Committee Reports**

**7:05 - 7:10 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, June 4, at 6:00pm
- Reading of the minutes from the April General Meeting

# Principal's Report

Principal Jackson

# Special Topic

DC Solar



## Free Solar. Free Electricity. Washington, DC

### DC Solar is Currently Installing Free Rooftop Solar Systems in this Neighborhood



- Eliminate or Greatly Reduce Your Electric Bill
- Total Cost = \$0 After DC And Federal Incentives
- You Own The System Outright; Not A Lease.
- Your Home Powered By Clean, Green Energy
- It's the Right Thing to Do: More Solar = Less Coal
- Hundreds of Your Nearby Neighbors Have Already Taken Advantage - Now It's Your Turn!

Rooftop Solar in Washington, DC is highly incentivized and DC Solar passes these incentives through to homeowners far more generously than any other solar installer.

"Yes, free solar by DC Solar really is real. DC Solar installed solar on my Capitol Hill rowhouse roof and rather than uselessly baking in the sun, my roof now powers my home. In my case, my average electric bill now averages \$0 and I expect that to remain the case for 25+ years. It cost me nothing. The federal and DC govt incentives that enable this program make going solar in Washington, DC a total no-brainer."

- Shawn S. 5th St, NE

### Benefits of Solar on a Typical Rowhouse Roof in Washington, DC

- \$700-\$1,000+ Saved Annually On Electric Bill - depends on roof size and home usage
- \$25,000+ of Free Electricity from the sun over lifetime of system
- 230,000 Pounds Of Coal Burning Avoided - that's more than a full railroad car avoided!!
- 600,000 Pounds Of CO2 not released into atmosphere

Sound too good to be true? Yes, but it's not. Washington, DC has the best solar incentives in the country and DC Solar leverages these to bring Free Solar for DC residents. DC Solar has installed solar on 250+ roofs in DC. Now it's your turn!

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## What A Typical Roof With Solar In Capitol Hill Can Do

<b>= Eliminate 96 tons of landfill waste</b>	<b>Cut 236,000 Pounds of Coal</b>	<b>Cut 608,880 Pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> Gases</b>	<b>Save \$23,700 Gallons Of Oil</b>	<b>= 214 Acres of Trees Planted for 40 years</b>
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## Your Roof Can Put A Lot Of Money In Your Pocket Too

<b>Increase your home value \$25,000</b> (not assessed for DC property taxes)	<b>Save \$1,122/year in electric bill</b>	<b>Save \$35,600 utility bill system life</b>	<b>Net cost of \$60,600 solar system value = \$0</b>
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**Help The Planet And Put Money In Your Pocket – [Get Solar In DC Win/Win](#)**

# DC Solar \$0 Cost Installations In Capitol Hill

- 74 Solar Systems Installed By DC Solar LLC in Cap Hill In 2018 – Net \$0 Cost
- Our Crew Has Installed >1,500 Solar Systems out of the total 4,200 solar systems in existence across the City
- DC Solar's 2018 Solar Systems Installed in DC will remove
  - \* 60 million lbs of coal from being burned
  - \* 155 million lbs of greenhouse gases not going in the atmosphere
- Streets Around Capitol Hill With DC Solar's Free Solar Systems:  
Almost Every Street in Capital Hill has a free net \$0 cost solar system from DC Solar



# Special Topic

PTO & LSAT Election  
Q&A

# SY19-20 Elections

If you've ever wanted to...

- Help improve student achievement
- Advise the principal on important issues
- Develop our school's strategic plan

...then run for election to Miner's LSAT!

If you've ever wanted to...

- Help organize fun events for students
- Seek out partnerships and resources to benefit students, staff, and parents
- Continue building and strengthening our community

...then run for election to the Executive Board of Miner's PTO!

# SY19-20 Elections

<https://www.minerelementary.org/election.html>

- The PTO conducts elections for both the PTO Executive Board and the LSAT Parent Representatives.
- The school conducts elections for the LSAT teacher and staff representatives.
- The LSAT conducts its own election for a community representative.
- The nomination period is now open.
- To run for an office or to join a PTO Committee, fill out a nomination form (either paper or online). Return paper forms to your teacher or the Main Office.
- The nomination period closes on Monday, May 20.

# Election Timeline

**Monday, April 29:** Election email goes out; website is updated; election packets available online and in main office

**Tuesday, April 30:** Election letter and nomination form goes home in backpacks

**Tuesday, May 7:** Q&A session at PTO meeting; current PTO officers/chairs and LSAT co-chairs can answer

**Wednesday, May 8:** Info sessions at 3:30, 4:30, and 5:30

**Tuesday, May 14:** Reminder postcard goes home in backpacks

**Monday, May 20:** Nominations must be received by 9:00am

**Wednesday, May 29:** Ballots go home in backpacks (this is on a Wednesday because there is no school Tuesday)

**Monday, June 3:** Elections close at 9:00am; ballots counted and winners notified

**Tuesday, June 4:** Announce PTO and LSAT winners at PTO meeting; ask people to sign up for Committees if they haven't already done so

# LSAT Elections

- Four parents/guardians will be elected to serve as LSAT Parent Representatives.
- Only parents/guardians can run for and vote in the LSAT Parent Rep Election.
- Results will be announced during the June PTO General Meeting.
- LSAT Rep terms run from July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020.
- Candidates may also run for PTO Executive Board.

# PTO Elections

- Parents/guardians AND teachers/staff may both run for and vote in PTO Elections.
- Results will be announced at the end of the June PTO General Meeting.
- Terms will begin as soon as the meeting concludes.
- Terms are 1 year; however if the bylaw change proposed in April passes, the term for Treasurer will be 2 years.
- Candidates may run for only one PTO Executive Board position.
- Candidates may also run for LSAT.

# PTO Elections

- PTO Executive Board consists of:
  - President
  - Vice President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Teacher Representative(s)
  - Principal
- PTO Leadership Team consists of:
  - Executive Board
  - Committee Chairs
- Current PTO Committees
  - Appreciation & Recognition
  - Communications
  - Community Engagement
  - Facilities & Grounds
  - Family Engagement & Events
  - Family Support
  - Fundraising & Grants

# LSAT and PreK Parent Committee Reports

# Regular PTO Business

# President & VP Reports

- Enroll today! Forms are available online at <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/71>
- Bike to School Day is tomorrow, May 8  
<http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/>
- Please complete the PTO Year in Review Survey
- Master Site Plan update
- Technology update
- Vote on bylaw change proposed at April PTO General Meeting

# Technology Update

The following have been purchased and provided to staff:

- 13 Chromebooks (used to run Lexia and ST Math)
  - 7 to 2nd grade
  - 6 to Kindergarten
  - 7 provided to 1st grade last fall
- 2 projectors (1 is still available)
- 100 headphones
  - 50 to PARCC
  - 50 to various classrooms

If teachers would like additional items, please let us know!

# Proposed Bylaw Change

## ARTICLE III “OFFICERS” / SECTION 2 “TERM OF OFFICE”

FROM: “The term of office begins at the conclusion of the General Meeting at which election results are announced to the PTO membership, and ends upon the same the following school year. Officer elections shall be held in the spring, concurrent with parent elections for the Local School Advisory Team (LSAT).”

TO: “The term of office begins at the conclusion of the General Meeting at which election results are announced to the PTO membership, and ends upon the same the following school year. The exception is the Treasurer, whose term of office shall last for two school years. Officer elections shall be held in the spring, concurrent with parent elections for the Local School Advisory Team (LSAT).”

RATIONALE: The PTO is a formal 501c3 organization and as such, has a high requirement for rigorous and accurate financial management and accounting, as well as regulatory compliance (e.g., taxes and insurance). The role of Treasurer has a steep learning curve and having the same Treasurer for at least two years would be of great benefit to the smooth running of the organization.

# Treasurer Report (This Period)

*Cash Summary 3/25/19-5/5/19*

<b>Balance as of March 25, 2019:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,384</b>
Plus: Income (Jan. 29 - Feb. 28, 2019):	\$	2,164
Less: Expenses (Feb. 28 - Feb. 28, 2019):	\$	(8,134)
<b>Balance as of May 5, 2019:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>22,425</b>



# Treasurer Report (Fiscal Year)

*Cash Summary 7/1/18-5/5/19*

<b>Balance as of July 1, 2018:</b>	<b>\$ 22,037</b>
Plus: Income (Feb. 28 - March. 25, 2019):	\$ 59,573
Less: Expenses (Feb. 28 - March. 25, 2019):	\$ (59,185)
<b>Balance as of May 5, 2019:</b>	<b>\$ 22,425</b>

# Treasurer Report (Fiscal Year)

## Budget to Actuals

SY 18 - 19				
7/1/18-6/30/19				
As of 5/5/19				
		<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>DELTA</u>
<b><u>SY 18- 19 Income</u></b>	Code			
DONATIONS	DON		20,453	
FUNDRAISING SALES	SALES		23,263	
OSSE GRANT REIMBURSEMENTS	OSSE		12,957	
OTHER GRANTS	Other Grants		2,900	
<b>Total Income</b>			<b>59,573</b>	
<b><u>SY 18-19 Expenses</u></b>				
ADMINISTRATIVE	A&O	(2,300)	(1,247)	(1,053)
CLASSROOM SUPPORT	CS	(8,200)	(1,208)	(6,992)
SCHOOLWIDE SUPPORT	SWS	(20,250) 	(15,698)	(4,552)
FIELD TRIP SUPPORT	FTS	(7,200)	(850)	(6,350)
APPRECIATION & RECOGNITION	A&R	(3,000)	(937)	(2,063)
COMMUNICATIONS	COM	(5,000)	(527)	(4,473)
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	CE	(500)	(147)	(353)
FACILITIES & GROUNDS	FAC	(5,500)	(2,826)	(2,674)
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT & EVENTS	FE&E	(4,000)	(4,402)	402
FAMILY SUPPORT	FS	(1,800)	(605)	(1,195)
FUNDRAISING & GRANTS	F&G	(10,650)	(11,124)	474
GARDEN	GAR	(22,450)	(19,615)	(2,835)
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>(90,850) </b>	<b>(59,185)</b>	<b>(28,412)</b>

# Fundraising Update

<i>Fundraising Sources</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Gross Received</i>	<i>(Shortfall) Surplus</i>	<i>Net Proceeds</i>
Bear Paw Fund	15,000	11,678	(3,322)	11,678
Move Play Grow	15,000	7,549	(7,451)	7,549
Holiday Greenery Sale	15,000	11,102	(3,898)	4,229
Election Day	300	277	(23)	277
Spring Yard Sale	3,000	3,365	365	2,828
Total	48,300	33,970	(14,330)	26,561

# Teacher Representative Reports

Ms. Unger (Grades 3-5)

Mr. Riddick (Grades K-2)

Ms. Cummings (ECE)

# Garden Team Report

- In place of our standard monthly meeting, on May 16 the Anacostia Watershed Society will be installing our ECE garden!

# Committee Reports

- Appreciation & Recognition
  - Please check your email for ways to help with TA Week!
- Communications
- Community Engagement
  - Bike to School Day is tomorrow at 7:30am!
- Facilities & Grounds
- Family Engagement & Events
- Family Support
- Fundraising & Grants
  - We were awarded a grant from CHCF for caps and gowns for the K graduation ceremony

# Upcoming Events, Reminders & Opportunities

# Upcoming Events (1 of 4)

## Monday, May 6 - Friday, May 10

- **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!**

## Wednesday, May 8

- **7:30 AM in Lincoln Park // National Bike-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 bike/walk together to Miner to start the day! More information [here](#).
- **3:30 PM - 4:00 PM in Large Group Instruction Room // Parent Leadership Information Session #1:** PTO and LSAT elections are coming up! To prepare, Miner is holding three informal information and Q&A sessions for parents interested in learning more about parent leadership opportunities at Miner. This includes PTO, Local School Advisory Team (LSAT), PreK Parent Committee, and various school committees that have parent membership (such as Wellness, Garden, and Personnel). This first session is designed for parents who pick up their students graders at the regular dismissal time.
- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Miner // DC Scores Jr. Soccer:** Come cheer on our Junior Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Amidon-Bowen ES!
- **4:30 PM - 5:00 PM in Large Group Instruction Room // Parent Leadership Information Session #2:** This second session is designed for parents who pick up their students after clubs and afterschool activities.
- **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in Large Group Instruction Room // Parent Leadership Information Session #3:** This third and final session is designed for parents who pick up their students from PAL and Springboard aftercare.

# Upcoming Events (2 of 4)

## Thursday, May 9

- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Thomas ES // DC Scores Soccer:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Thomas!
- **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM at Eastern High School // "Basketball Fever":** Eliot-Hine Middle School is hosting a basketball fundraiser featuring its feeder schools, including Miner!
- **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>

## Thursday, May 16

- **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 - 5:30 PM at Miner // DC Scores Soccer:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears!

## Tuesday, May 21

- **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 (3 of 4)

## Thursday, May 23

- **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Miner // DC Scores Soccer:** Come cheer on our Mighty Miner Bears as they take on Walker-Jones!

## Monday, May 27

- **School Closed:** Memorial Day Holiday

## Tuesday, May 28

- **No school for students:** Parent-Teacher Conferences

## Tuesday, June 4

- **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.

# Upcoming Events (4 of 4)

## Wednesday, June 12

- **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](#).

## Thursday, June 13

- **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, June 14

- **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:** Students dismissed at 12:15

# Reminders & Opportunities

- Enrollment is open!
- PTO Executive Board and LSAT Parent Rep nomination forms due May 20
- 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?