

Miner PTO General Meeting

March 2, 2021

March 4 is the birthdate of our school's namesake, Myrtila Miner. Learn more about her legacy here:
<https://www.minerelementary.org/history.html>

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome & Reading of the Minutes

6:05 - 6:15 Principal's Report

6:15 - 6:25 Special Topic: Myrtilla Miner

6:25 - 6:40 School Committee Reports

6:30 Equity Team

6:35 Green Team

6:40 LSAT

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

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

6:50 - 6:55 PTO Committee Reports

6:55 - 7:00 Upcoming Events, Reminders, Opportunities

Open Comment: Other joys, concerns, or questions?



Welcome!

- Welcome to our March Virtual PTO General Meeting!
- Please remain on mute if you aren't speaking.
- All questions can be asked in the chat box - we will do our best to answer them all but if we miss yours, please ask again or feel free to email us at minerpto@gmail.com and we will be sure to answer!
- After the meeting, please reach out to us at minerpto@gmail.com to let us know what you did/did not like about the virtual format - we would LOVE your feedback!
- Next PTO meeting date: Tuesday, April 6, at 6:00pm



Principal's Report

Principal Jackson



Special Topic: Myrtilla Miner

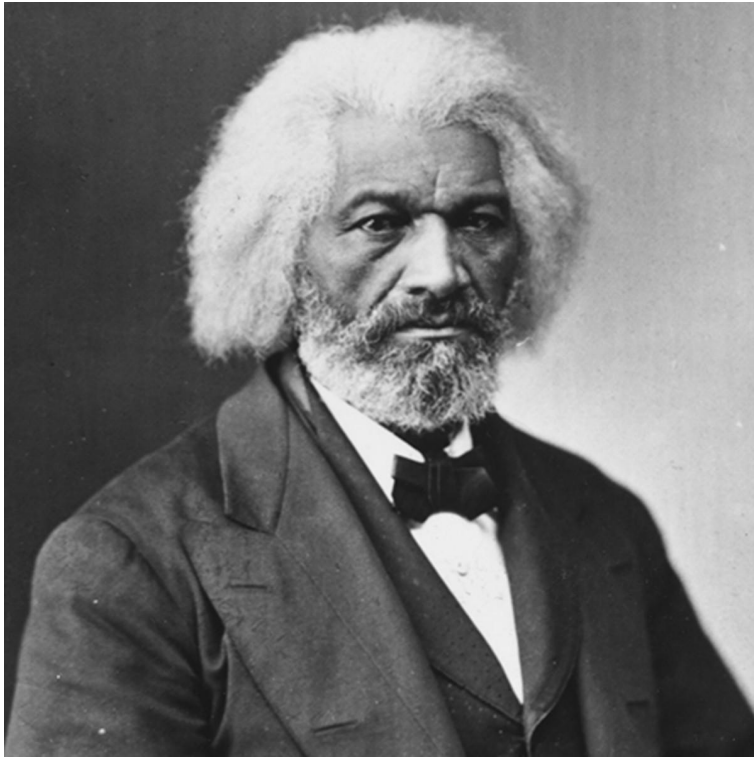
Chris Deutsch





Myrtilla Miner

March 4, 1815 – December 17, 1864



“My argument made no impression upon her heroic spirit before me. Her resolution was taken and not to be shaken or changed. The result, I need not say, has justified her determination.”

- Frederick Douglass



First grade students
around 1910

“The pupils rush in so happy in their appreciation of the blessing, so hearty in study, so neat in appearance, and so quiet in manners that I have experienced only joy in teaching them.”

- Myrtilla Miner

PROPOSES COLLEGE AT MINER NORMAL

R. C. Bruce Tells Graduates
School Deserves a Great
Future.

CLASS RECEIVES DIPLOMAS

Dr. H. Barrett Learned Presides
and Dr. J. Hayden Johnson, of
School Board, Speaks.

Development of the Myrtilla Minor Normal school into a full-fledged teachers' college, comparable with any other in the country and awarding a scholastic degree after a four years' course, was advocated last night at the graduation exercises of the school by Roscoe Conkling Bruce, assistant superintendent of public schools in charge of colored schools.

"Devotion to ideals, in emulation of Charlemagne, who, though himself a barbarian, civilized his people," was also recommended to the class by the speaker.

Dr. Learned Presides.

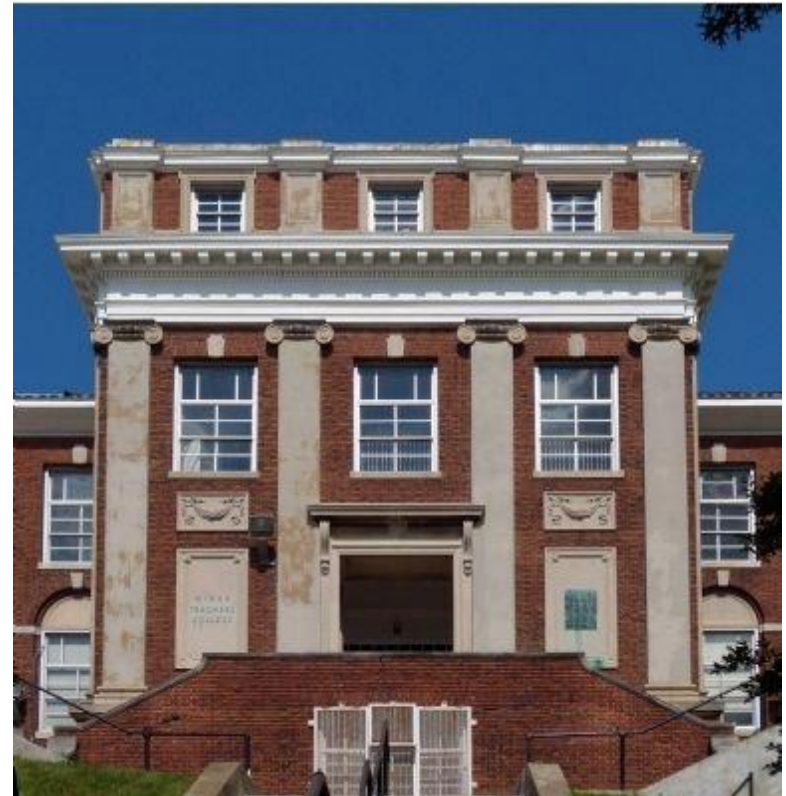
Dr. H. Barrett Learned, vice president of the board of education, was

the presiding officer. Dr. J. Hayden Johnson, a member of the board of education, advised the graduates to persevere and work hard in spite of all obstacles. The instrumental and vocal program was given by students, under the direction of Miss Lolo Johnson, a member of the faculty. The class presented a large bouquet of roses to Principal Eugene A. Clark. The Rev. Daniel E. Wiseman pronounced the invocation and the benediction.

Officers of the graduating class are president, Eugenia I. Jackson; vice president, Audrey G. Delaney; secretary, Rosa L. Chase; treasurer, Katie B. Murphy.

List of the Graduates.

Primary grade course — Inetta Banks, Clotilda Augusta Barnett, Dorothy Belle Brooks, Inez Ogden Brooks, Eleanor Veronica Bryant, Gertrude Viola Bushe, Wilhelmina Inez Cohran, Valeria Celestine Cohran, Roger Edward Cole, Lida Consuelo Colen, Garnetta Marie Cones, Audrey Gertestine Delaney, Martha Ellen Dulany, Gladys DeWitt Duncan, Catherine Beatrix Freeman, Portia Marea Ferguson, Evelyn Alice Gant, Mabel May Gibson, Evelyn Idella Graham, Annabelle Matilda Green, Hilda May Green, Marie Inez Hackett, Amanda Jerrie Hamilton, Beatrice Algretta Holton, Susie Alexandra Holton, Eugenia Inez Jackson, Eugenera Augustine Jones, Erma Augusta Jones, Laura Ruth Kydd, Alice Penn Lewis, Amy Lucille Mahoney, Alfred Winfree Mitchell, Vera Rachel Purefoy, Iola Christine Richards, Mary Beatrice Robinson, Bessie Lavinia Sayles, John Worthem Sewell, Juanita Mae Henri Shaw, Ora May Shepherd, Linnie Ruth Smith, Lillian Edith Tanner, Lucille Isabella Thom-



Miner Teachers College
2565 Georgia Avenue NW



Myrtilla Miner

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School Committee Reports

Equity Team
Green Team
LSAT



Equity Team Report

Co-Facilitators:

Dominique Foster, Billy Lynch, & Latoya McCarthy-Scott

Next Meeting: March 9 at 5pm

<https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html>



Join the Equity Team!

Interested in joining the Team, or just learning more about it?

Membership is open to anyone in the Miner community who has an interest in increasing equity and inclusiveness in our school and our community. Team members are the heart of Miner's equity work, and are responsible for taking the lead to identify needs, develop ideas, and put plans into action.

To join:

- Email minerequityteam@gmail.com
- Come to any meeting
- Fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/BZeYZHByi4GHVrDKA>

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 9 at 5pm on Zoom (link TBD)

Tired of meetings? Our most important work occurs between meetings, so attendance at the meetings themselves is not mandatory; come to as many or as few as you like.

For more information, visit the Equity Team page on Miner's website:

<https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html>



Equity Team Updates

- Next Equity Team Meeting:
Tuesday, March 9 at 5pm
 - The Equity Team will be hosting dialogue groups during the next 2 meetings
 - Trained facilitators will be running the dialogue groups
- Mutual Aid Network
 - The next [Community Table](#) is this Saturday, March 6, from 11am - 1pm
 - If you would like to volunteer or donate, please email MinerMutualAid@gmail.com
 - Visit the [Mutual Aid Network Website](#) for more info



Green Team Report

Ms. Sydney Lawson
FoodCorps Service Member
sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org



Garden Updates

- Volunteers are needed to help build our new garden shed. Please email sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org if you're able to help!
- Our next Give-A-Box event will be in April. Thanks to everyone for their generosity!
- Don't forget to follow us on [Instagram!](#)
- Please see our February Garden Newsletter

Miner Elementary School
February Garden Newsletter

Whats Growing?
Garlic

FoodCorps
Lesson of the Month
Root Fruit Slaw
Click Lesson To View

The garden is closed for the winter. We eagerly await spring!

Spring Reopening

Thanks to the help of many, our garden is closed up for the winter! We look forward to the spring, when we will begin growing again. In the meantime, we are working with students and the community to develop new garden norms and plan which fruits or vegetables we will plant in March. Are you interested in being part of this planning process?

Reach out to sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org to join in on the conversation!

Check us out on Instagram @minerelementarygarden



LSAT Report

Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho & Bernadette Wittschen

Next Meeting: March 16 at 5:00pm

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



LSAT Report

- At the Budget Meeting the LSAT voted to approve a proposed budget
- Once the budget is approved, it will be shared publicly with the Miner Community
- All LSAT meetings are open to the public and the minutes are posted to the [website](#)



Regular PTO Business



President & VP Reports

- PTO and LSAT elections will be held this Spring. Election season will open next month with a kickoff letter. Be on the lookout late April/early May as we prepare to elect our new leadership!
- So far we have purchased 200 KN95s and N95s. We will continue to purchase as needed, so we are still collecting funds for PPE. If you are interested in donating, please visit our [donate page](#) and indicate that your donation is for PPE supplies. Thank you!
- The PTO is looking for a Treasurer in addition to Committee Members. For more info on the PTO or any of its Committees, visit: <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html>



Treasurer Report



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Summary 2/1/21 - 3/1/21

Balance as of February 1, 2021:	\$	39,213
Plus: Income (Feb 1- Mar 1, 2021):	\$	125**
Less: Expenses (Feb 1- Mar 1, 2021):	\$	(1,013)
Balance as of March 1, 2021:	\$	38,325*

**Does not include \$2,750 in pending payments to our account.*

***This is from Amazon Smile. Thank you to everyone who has indicated Miner as their charity. For more information, click [here](#).*



Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Emma Halley, PTO Teacher Representative



PTO Committee Reports

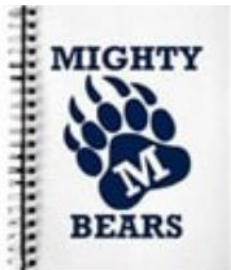
- Appreciation & Recognition
- Communications: *John Muir*
 - Spirit Store!
- Community Engagement: *Brandon Scott*
- Family Engagement & Events: *Latoya McCarthy-Scott*
- Fundraising & Grants: *Abby McGill*
 - Visit our [donate page](#) to contribute to the PPE fund



Miner Spirit Store

Two ways to purchase:

- Purchase car magnets, yard signs, and t-shirts (sizes 3T - adult XXL) by emailing minerpto@gmail.com.
- Visit our online spirit store at <https://www.cafepress.com/minerelementaryschoolspiritstore>.



Upcoming Events, Reminders, & Opportunities



Upcoming Events (1 of 2)

Friday, March 5

- **No classes or virtual Learning:** Parent-Teacher Conferences

Saturday, March 6

- **11:00 AM - 1:00 PM in the Miner Parking Lot // Miner Mutual Aid Network Community Table:** Join us for the [Miner Mutual Aid Network's](#) Community Table in the Miner parking lot. We will once again feature free food boxes, winter clothing, and PPE for any member of the community in need. [Click here for the event flyer.](#)

Tuesday, March 9

- **5:00 PM - 6:30 PM on Zoom // Miner Equity Team meeting:** All members of the Miner community are welcome to join the Equity Team as we build relationships and develop ideas and actions to improve racial equity and inclusion at Miner. Visit the [Equity Team webpage](#) for all the details. Email minerequityteam@gmail.com for the meeting login information.



Upcoming Events (2 of 2)

Tuesday, March 16

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

Tuesday, March 23

- **5:00 PM - 6:00 PM via Zoom // PTO Leadership Team Meeting:** The monthly meeting of the PTO Executive Board and Committee Chairs is open to anyone interested in attending and/or providing feedback to PTO leadership.



Reminders & Opportunities

- If you would like to support the Miner Mutual Aid Network's Community Table this weekend, please visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html> for more information and email minermutualaid@gmail.com
- If you would like to donate toward our PPE fund for teachers and staff, please visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/donate.html>
- If you are interested in becoming more involved in the garden/with the Green Team, contact Ms. Sydney Lawson at sydney.lawson@foodcorps.org
- If you are interested in joining the Equity Team, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/equity-team.html> and email minerequityteam@gmail.com
- If you are interested in serving as PTO Treasurer or joining a Committee, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html> and email minerpto@gmail.com



Thank You!

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