

Miner PTO General Meeting

June 7, 2022

**Welcome to the final PTO General Meeting of the school year. We hope you all have a great summer!
Congratulations to our newly elected LSAT and PTO Leaders.**

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome

6:05 - 6:10 Principal's Report

6:10 - 6:15 Community School Update

6:15 - 6:35 School Committee Reports

6:15 Equity Team

6:20 Miner Mutual Aid Network

6:25 Green Team

6:30 LSAT

6:35 - 6:50 LSAT and PTO Election Results

6:50 - 6:55 PTO President & VP Report

6:55 - 7:00 Treasurer & Teacher Representative Reports

7:00 - 7:05 PTO Committee Reports

7:05 - 7:10 Upcoming Events, Reminders, Opportunities

7:10 - 7:15 Closing

Open Comment: Other joys, concerns, or questions?



Welcome!

- Welcome to our final PTO General Meeting of the year!
- Please remain on mute if you aren't speaking.
- All questions can be asked in the chat box or by using the “raise hand” button - 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!
- THANK YOU for your support of the Miner PTO this year. Each person in the Miner Community - whether parent, guardian, staff, teacher, or administrator - is a member of the PTO, and each of you worked to make this year of change and transition so much better for our students than many of us expected. We are grateful to each and every one of you.



Principal's Report

Principal White



Community School Update

Kristine DuPree

<https://www.minerelementary.org/community-school.html>



Community School Update

- Welcome to our new Community School Coordinator, ShaLisa Richardson. Some of you may have had the opportunity to meet her at STEAM Night or at the Mutual Aid Network Community Table. Welcome to Team Miner!
- Upcoming Parent Class



School Committee Reports

Equity Team
Mutual Aid Network
Green Team
LSAT



Equity Team Report

Facilitator: Latoya McCarthy-Scott

<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
- Participate in a Kindred dialogue group
- Fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/BZeYZHByi4GHVrDKA>

We are taking a step back from meetings as Kindred is coming back into the building. We are looking forward to working with them and encourage all who are interested in the Equity Team to sign up for dialogue groups.

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

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



Miner Mutual Aid Network

Chris Deutsch

<https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html>



Scenes from our June Community Table



How Can I Help?

Financial and in-kind donations to support Miner Mutual Aid can be made through the Miner PTO via the [Donation page](#).

Mutual Aid goes beyond financial support. We ask every member of our community to challenge themselves to consider other ways they can be of service. This may include:

- Groceries, toiletries, medicine, cleaning supplies or other essentials
- Administrative help: legal support, social services, applying for unemployment benefits
- Transportation for individuals, or to pick up groceries and other supplies
- Childcare
- Tech Support for distance learning
- Checking in via phone calls, video chats, texting



How Can I Receive Help?

Requests for support can be made by filling out [an online Google form](#). The requests are only seen by the members of the Mutual Aid Network Team and will never be shared.

Alternatively, you can also reach out to any Miner teacher, the Community School coordinator, or Social Worker.



Green Team Report

Ms. Ashley Luttmer and Ms. Emma Creamer

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



Green Team

Thank you so much to all who participated in our Garden Party on Saturday!



Summer in the Garden!

If you are interested in helping water the garden this summer, please email Ms. Emma at emma.creamer@foodcorps.org. We would love a group of volunteers so the responsibility doesn't fall on one or two people. Even if you aren't available all summer, any help is appreciated!

Don't forget to follow the garden on Instagram at [@MinerElementaryGarden](https://www.instagram.com/MinerElementaryGarden).

LSAT Report

Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho and Ms. Allison Mitchell

Next Meeting: June 14 at 5pm

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



Congratulations to our New Teacher Representatives

The following teachers were elected to the LSAT for SY22-23:

- Ms. Trilby Hillenbrand (STEM)
- Ms. Allison Mitchell (ELL)
- Dr. Eva Ramsey (Psychologist)
- Mr. Jason Yoho (Kindergarten)

Additionally, Mr. Joseph Martin (2nd Grade Math) was elected as the WTU Building Representative and will serve as the WTU Representative on the LSAT.

The term for these new Representatives begins on July 1 but all are encouraged to attend the June 14 meeting.



PTO and LSAT Election Results



PTO Election Results

President - Brandon Scott

Vice President - Abby McGill

Secretary - Julie Muir

Teacher Representative - Ms. Kyra Hayes

*Since PTO Treasurer Abby McGill was elected Vice President, she has stepped down as Treasurer (effective at the end of this meeting). PTO Bylaws permit the President to appoint a replacement when an officer resigns, and **Nick Heitger** has agreed to fill this role. A Special Election will be held in the fall to fill the role for the remainder of Abby's term.*



LSAT Election Results

LSAT Parent Representatives:

- Kathryn Hawkins
 - Julie Muir
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Parent Organization Representative: Brandon Scott

Teacher Representatives: Ms. Hillenbrand (STEM), Ms. Mitchell (ELL),
Dr. Ramsey (Psychologist), Mr. Yoho (K)

Staff Representative: Election to be held TBD

WTU Representative: Mr. Martin (2nd Grade Math)

Community Representative: TBD (elected by LSAT)



Special Election - Fall 2022

Since only 2 Parent Representatives were elected, we will hold a Special Election in the fall to fill the 2 remaining positions. This will be held in conjunction with the Special Election for the PTO Treasurer. As was the case with the Regular Election, all PTO Members may vote for PTO Treasurer whereas only parents/guardians may vote for LSAT Parent Representatives.

Any parent/guardian with a student enrolled at Miner at the time of the election may run for LSAT Parent Representative and/or PTO Treasurer; any teacher/staff employed at Miner at the time of the election may run for PTO Treasurer. This opens the positions to our new SY22-23 families and staff.



Regular PTO Business



President & VP Reports

- Newly elected PTO Executive Board will take over as soon as this meeting ends; their term will run until the next election (after the June 2023 PTO General Meeting).
- Newly elected LSAT will take over July 1; their term will run until June 30, 2023.
- Volunteers of the Month
- Enrollment is Open
- Join a PTO Committee
- End of Year Cookout!
- Garden help during the summer
- Stay connected this summer!



Volunteers of the Month!

Staff Volunteer of the Month:

Mr. Alexander, 1st Grade Teacher

Mr. Alexander was responsible for planning the amazing STEAM Night on June 2. He and his team put together a fantastic event that all the students (and parents) enjoyed so much. Thank you Mr. Alexander, we are so glad you joined our Miner Bear family this year!

Parent Volunteers of the Month:

PTO Leadership Team

This month I am thanking the entire PTO Leadership Team for their hard work and dedication all year. There's no way we would have accomplished as much as we did this year without such an awesome team. Thank you to *Brandon Scott, Erica Brooks, Abby McGill, Ms. Halley, Ms. Coles, Ms. Hayes, and John Muir* for an amazing year.



Enroll Today!

- Visit <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/> for general DCPS enrollment information
- Email mineresenroll@k12.dc.gov for questions about enrolling at Miner
- To complete the enrollment form electronically in English, visit https://dcgov.seamlessdocs.com/f/DCPSEnrollmentForm_English23
- To complete the enrollment form electronically in another language, or to download the enrollment forms, visit <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/71>



PTO Committees

Appreciation & Recognition

Plan, coordinate, promote, and implement activities to show appreciation to teachers, staff, administrators, students, and parents. Recruit volunteers and donations for appreciation events. Organize gestures of appreciation to donors, sponsors, grantors, partners, etc.

Communications

Manage internal communications channels, tools, and processes for informing PTO membership and immediate community. Collect and manage PTO member data and distribution lists. Support promotional needs of PTO Executive Board and committees, including flyers, posters, and banners. Manage the school's "Spirit Store." Serve as liaison between the PTO and the school's social media team.

Community Engagement

Establish and maintain relationships with external organizations and partners. Maintain a list of school and PTO partners. Coordinate outreach/advocacy to city organizations/agencies. Maintain a list of current issues. Coordinate Miner's participation in community-sponsored events. Serve as Miner Representative to the Ward 6 Public Schools Parent Organization and Ward 7 Education Council and attend monthly meetings (Committee chair only).

Family Engagement & Events

Plan, coordinate, promote, and implement major and minor events and activities to facilitate and increase family engagement at the school.

Fundraising & Grants

Plan major and minor fundraising events. Identify grant opportunities and write applications. Provide grant requirements, expertise, and advice. Provide reports to the Grantor. Maintain lists of current/potential grants and current/potential grantors. Work with the Communications Committee to promote and facilitate online sales as part of the school's Spirit Store.



Volunteer!

[Volunteer Sign Up Form](#)

We are so grateful to all our parent, staff, and community volunteers, but we definitely could use some more help! We know it's hard to commit to serving in a Leadership role or even on a Committee, but that doesn't mean you can't be a volunteer. The best way to help out is to complete our volunteer sign up form - when we need volunteers for an event, we will email everyone who has filled out this form. If you can do it, great! If not, there will always be more opportunities for you to help out our Mighty Miner Bears!



Join the Miner PTO Volunteer Bear Crew!

YES! I want to support my school community while building connections with other Miner Elementary parents, staff and students.

* Required

My name is: *

Your answer

I am a: *

☐ Parent of a Pre-K student

☐ Parent of a K-5 student

☐ Teacher/staff member

☐ Other: _____

End of Year Cookout

- 5-7pm Friday, June 17
- All are welcome!
- Students must have a parent or guardian present.
- Playground fun!
- Visit the garden!
- Fun prizes!
- Delicious food!
- Kick off the summer in style!



ALL MINER FAMILIES AND STAFF ARE INVITED TO OUR

END OF YEAR COOKOUT!

**FRIDAY
JUNE 17**

5-7 PM
MINER ELEMENTARY
K-5 PLAYGROUND



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ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN

Stay Connected!

- While the PTO won't be posting or emailing as frequently over the summer, we encourage everyone to sign up for our email list and continue following us on social media. We will share any summer events, plus we can't go two whole months without checking in on our Miner Bear family!
- To receive PTO email updates, "The Week Ahead" newsletter, and more, we encourage you to subscribe to the PTO email list by filling out this form:
<https://www.minerelementary.org/join-the-pto.html>.
- Follow us on [social media](#)
 - School social media:
 - <https://twitter.com/MinerElementary>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/MinerDCPS/>
 - <https://www.instagram.com/minerelementaryschool/>
 - PTO social media:
 - <https://twitter.com/MinerPTO>
 - <https://www.instagram.com/Miner.PTO/>
 - Other Miner social media:
 - Miner Equity Team: <https://twitter.com/EquityMiner>
 - Miner Green Team: <https://www.instagram.com/Minerelementarygarden/>



Treasurer Report

Abby McGill



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Summary 5/0322 - 6/07/22

Balance as of May 2, 2022:	\$ 14,124
Plus: Income (May 3-June 7, 2022):	\$ 911
Less: Expenses (May 3-June 7, 2022):	\$ (2,337)
Balance as of June 7, 2022:	\$ 12,698



Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Coles, Ms. Halley, Ms. Hayes



Important Dates:

- No school June 20 (school closed for Juneteenth Holiday)
- Last day of school for students is June 24
- Last day of school for staff is June 27



Promotion Ceremonies

5th Grade



June 17, 10am

Kindergarten



June 17, 1:30pm

PreK-4



June 22, 9:45am



Committee Reports

- Appreciation & Recognition:
- Communications: John Muir
 - Spirit Store
- Community Engagement: Brandon Scott
- Family Engagement & Events:
- Fundraising & Grants:



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)

Tuesday, June 14

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

Friday, June 17

- **10:00 AM in the Gym // 5th Grade Promotion:** Join us in celebrating and congratulating our oldest Miner Bears as they say goodbye to Miner and officially become Middle Schoolers! More information on their ceremony to follow.
- **1:45 PM in the Gym // Kindergarten Promotion:** Join us in celebrating and congratulating our Kindergarteners as they become first graders! More information on their ceremony to follow.
- **5:00 PM - 7:00 PM on the Playground // End of Year Cookout:** All staff, students, and their families are invited to join us for a cookout to celebrate the end of the school year. More information to follow!

Monday, June 20

- **School Closed // Juneteenth Holiday**



Upcoming Events (2 of 2)

Tuesday, June 21

- **6:00 PM - 7:00 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. [Click here for more information about the Miner PTO.](#)

Wednesday, June 22

- **9:45 AM in the Gym // PreK 4 Promotion:** Join us in celebrating and congratulating our oldest PreK Miner Cubs as they officially become elementary school students! More information on their ceremony to follow.

Friday, June 24

- **Last Day of School for Students!**

Monday, June 27

- **Last Day of School for Staff (half day)**



Reminders & Opportunities

- Enroll for the 2022-23 school year! All families, new and returning, must enroll. Visit <https://enrolldcps.dc.gov/> to complete your application today!
- Sign up to be a PTO volunteer or join a Committee! Complete the form by [clicking here!](#)
- If you are interested in helping out in the garden this summer, email Ms. Emma at emma.creamer@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 would like more information on the Miner Mutual Aid Network, or to volunteer at/donate to an upcoming Community Table, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html> and email minermutualaid@gmail.com



Thank You!

Before we end the meeting, I want to say thank you to members of the PTO Leadership Team, who have all gone above and beyond this year. I know they got a brief shout out as the Volunteers of the Month, but they have all done such amazing work, so I want to make sure they get the recognition and praise they deserve.

Thank you to John Muir, Erica Brooks, Ms. Emma Halley, Ms. Shamayne Coles, Ms. Kyra Hayes, Brandon Scott, and Abby McGill. You have all inspired me so much this year.



Special Presentation

Brandon Scott, PTO VP



Thank You!

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

Welcome to our new Executive Board, your term officially begins now.

Have a wonderful summer.