## **Miner Elementary School PTO**

# PTO General Meeting: June 6, 2023 - 6:00 pm **Meeting Minutes**

The meeting came to order at 6:06pm. The meeting was conducted both in-person and via Zoom.

#### Welcome and Introductions:

- Welcome to all who are joining us both in person and virtually.
- Thanks to Christ City Church for providing babysitting and dinner for our kids in the library.
- This is our final meeting of the school year!
- SY22-23 PTO Executive Board:
  - o President, Brandon Scott
  - o VP, Abby McGill
  - o Treasurer, Nicholas Heitger
  - o Secretary, Julie Muir
  - o Teacher Rep, Ms. Kyra Hayes
  - o Principal, Mr. Lawrence Dance
- Motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting passed.

#### Principal's Report:

- Principal Lawrence Dance, <u>Lawrence.dance2@k12.dc.gov</u>
- Enrollment is open!
- Aftercare registration opened today. Messages were sent via Remind, Blackboard, and aspenemail.
- Promotion Ceremonies
  - o K June 15 at 9:30am
  - o PreK4 June 16 at 9:30am
  - o 5<sup>th</sup> Grade June 20 at 10am
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip is June 21 to Six Flags in MD; tickets are being purchased via donation from Christ City Church
- Grade level assignments and roster conversations will begin next week for next SY.
- EOY testing is taking place so please send your students to school
- Parking Lot Blues!!! We've sent out messages to families in regard to the new arrival and dismissal pattern. DGS is supposed to clear out old brush, trees, and trash in the overflow lot so staff can park there. We were told it should happen this week.
- Personnel has been working to get new staff hired. So far we've offered 3 positions to candidates that were interviewed. Will continue the interview process...
- Foodprints will be our garden partner next year

#### Community School Update:

- Ms. ShaLisa Richardson, Community School Coordinator, sricharson@ebfsc.org
- We have some new and gently used adult clothing for anyone in need. Currently working on a time/place to set them out for everyone. Likely this summer, stay tuned!
- Accepting donations of new or gently used uniforms (particularly pants in sizes 4-6)
- We will be having some workshops this summer: first one will be First Aid/CPR

#### **School Committee Reports:**

- Mutual Aid Network: Jon Clark, MinerMutualAid@gmail.com
  - o Thanks to all who helped with the June Community Table
  - Visit https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html for more info
- Local School Advisory Team (LSAT): Julie Muir, LSAT Co-Chair, minereslsat@amail.com
  - o Congratulations to our newly elected Parent Reps
  - o Teacher, WTU, and Staff Rep elections will occur in the coming weeks
  - Visit <a href="https://www.minerelementary.org/lsat.html">https://www.minerelementary.org/lsat.html</a> to learn more about who we are and what we do
  - Next meeting: June 13 at 5pm

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- Green Team: Ms. Emma Creamer, FoodCorps Servicemember, emma.creamer@foodcorps.org
  - o Foodprints—will be our garden partner next year; Ms. Emma will likely stay with us!
  - o ECE Garden Clean Up on Sunday, June 11 from 12-2pm.
  - o Strawberries and salad greens is coming soon for students, and we are celebrating with families at our Summer Garden Party on June 20 from 3:15-4:30pm.
  - We are looking for help keeping the garden watered this summer. Contact Ms. Emma at <a href="mailto:emma.creamer@foodcorps.org">emma.creamer@foodcorps.org</a> if you can help!
  - Don't forget to follow the garden on Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/minerelementarygarden/

#### **Election Results:**

- LSAT Parent Representatives:
  - Katrice Fuller-Whitaker (PreK4)
  - o Andrea Jones (1st grade)
  - Nick Kushner (PreK4)
  - o Julie Muir (3rd, 1st, PreK3)
  - o Brandon Scott (2nd, PTO Rep)
- PTO Executive Board
  - o President: Brandon Scott (parent)
  - o VP: Abby McGill (parent)
  - o Treasurer: Nicholas Heitger (parent)
  - Secretary: Julie Muir (parent)
  - Teacher Representatives:
    - Kyra Hayes (ELA Coach)
    - Trilby Hillenbrand (STEM Educator)
    - Jason Yoho (K Educator)
  - o Principal: Lawrence Dance

#### **Regular PTO Business**

### President and Vice President's Report:

- Brandon Scott, President and Abby McGill, Vice President, <u>minerpto@gmail.com</u>
- End of Year Cookout: June 16, 5-7pm
- Enrollment is open!
- Bear Paw Fund—donate today!
  - o Looking for donations (money or in-kind) from local businesses
  - o In-kind donations will be part of the raffle at the EOY Cookout
- How to Connect? Stay connected by following the PTO this summer!
  - o Sign up for PTO emails on our homepage, <a href="https://www.minerelementary.org/">https://www.minerelementary.org/</a>
  - o Follow us on social media, https://www.minerelementary.org/social-media.html
  - o Volunteer! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf2bZ5P TYTGLj5-1huUIBdc2Ze2zJMVzuT2-MlBqvqU oOUA/viewform
  - o Email <u>minerpto@gmail.com</u> when you can't find your answers on our website
- Goal to increase involvement next year.
  - More PTO pushes to sign people up at in-person gatherings (orientation, back to school night, etc)
  - Better, more streamlined communications
  - In-person only meetings
  - o Surveys to find out how to get people involved

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## Treasurer's Report:

- Nicholas Heitger, Treasurer, <u>minerptotreasurer@gmail.com</u>
- Separated \$10k in Principal's Fund into a different account
- With upcoming expenses plus incoming donations, we have approximately \$5,000
- Need to contact tree farm regarding downpayment for next year's greenery sale
- Teacher Reps and MSL will make sure teachers know the deadline to use their classroom grant funds is June 22.
- Send all money-related requests to <u>minerptotreasurer@gmail.com</u>

### Teacher Representative's Report:

- Ms. Kyra Hayes, ELA Coach and Teacher Representative, <u>kyra.hayes@k12.dc.gov</u>
- June 8: Field Day
- June 12: LEGO League Explore Festival (3:45pm)
- June 15: Kindergarten Promotion (9:30am); 5th Grade Dance "Sneaker Ball" (6pm)
- June 16: PreK4 Promotion (9:30am)
- June 19: No School for Juneteenth Holiday
- June 20: 5th Grade Promotion (10am)
- June 22: Last Day of School for Students
- August 28: First Day of School for K-5 Students
- August 31: First Day of School for ECE Students

### **Upcoming Events:**

• See <u>Upcoming Events</u> page of our website.

#### New PTO Executive Board terms officially begin now!

Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.