

# Miner Elementary School PTO

PTO General Meeting: April 1, 2025 - 6:00 pm  
Meeting Minutes

*The meeting was conducted in-person in the Miner Cafeteria.*

## Welcome and Introductions:

- Welcome to all who are joining us!
- Childcare and dinner is available for our kids in the library. Thank you to our friends and Christ City DC for providing this service.
- Happy AP Week! Thank you to our amazing APs, Ms. Mills and Ms. Bosurgi!
- Be sure to visit our website after the meeting for slides, agenda, and minutes (and to answer all your Miner-related questions).
- SY24-25 PTO Executive Board – changes as Brandon Scott (President) had to step down. Thank you to Abby for stepping up to the role of President and Nick for joining the team as VP.
  - President, Abby McGill
  - VP, Nick Kushner
  - Treasurer, Chris Santulli
  - Secretary, Julie Muir
  - Teacher Rep, Mr. Jason Yoho
  - Principal, Dr. Carrie Broquard
- Motion to delay approving minutes passed.

## School and Admin Report:

- *Dr. Carrie Broquard, Principal, [carrie.broquard@k12.dc.gov](mailto:carrie.broquard@k12.dc.gov)*
- Testing update:
  - Phonics:
    - K and 1: DIBBLS Data well below 29% K and more in 1
      - 2 & 3: Half of our kids are well below on Basic Phonics
      - They're focusing on basic phonics
    - iReady: Computer assessed
      - significant portions of children in the upper grades are well below grade level.
      - Adopted UFLI (university of Florida) as gold standard phonics curriculum
      - Big focus on books in hand.
  - Math:
    - Decreased # of students who were 2 or more grades below level
    - Improvement in math goals
  - DC CAPE Testing: Grade 3-5 Standardized Testing
    - Testing is coming. It doesn't rule the school.
    - Anticipated Dates:
      - 3<sup>RD</sup> Grade: 4/23 to 4/20
      - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 5-1 to 5/8
      - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 5/9 to 5/20

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## Community School Update:

- Ms. ShaLisa Richardson, Community School Coordinator, [sricharson@ebfsc.org](mailto:sricharson@ebfsc.org)
- No update

## School Committee Reports:

- Mutual Aid Network – Jon Clark, [minermutualaid@gmail.com](mailto:minermutualaid@gmail.com)
  - Next Community Table: April 26
- LSAT – [minereslsat@gmail.com](mailto:minereslsat@gmail.com)
  - Budget: overenrollment projection of (54something)
  - Overall budget Increase from 8.9M to 10M
  - Costs increased but the budget increased by a greater amount
  - Budget allowed us to preserve current staff
  - Add reading specialist/ELA Coach
  - Add an additional (3<sup>rd</sup>) self-contained Special ED for grades 3-5
  - Budgeted in additional instructional aids for second grade
  - Keeps the peace teacher, 2 social workers, psych, 2 counselors
  - Next LSAT is on April 29. April meeting will concern elections to LSAT
- FoodPrints – Ms. Nyeelah Briscoe
  - Foodprints will continue next year. They're working on a program to allow parents to come eat meals with their kids during foodprints.

## **Regular PTO Business**

### President and Vice President's Report:

- Abby McGill, President and Nick Kushner, VP - [minerpto@gmail.com](mailto:minerpto@gmail.com)
- Engagement Survey Results
  - Not a lot of responses
  - Lack of time greatest factor in not getting involved
  - Push for hybrid meetings
  - Desire for family events, volunteering in classroom, more flexible opportunities

### Treasurer's Report:

- Chris Santulli, Treasurer, [minerptotreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:minerptotreasurer@gmail.com)
- CHCF grants!
- CCJ Fundraiser + playdate April 6
- \$36K in the bank
- Send all money-related requests to [minerptotreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:minerptotreasurer@gmail.com) and [minerpto@gmail.com](mailto:minerpto@gmail.com)

### Upcoming Events:

- See Upcoming Events page of our website.
- No school on April 7
- Career Day is April 9
- Spring Break is April 14-18

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- Enrollment Saturday is April 26.
- SPRING DANCE! Friday May 2.
- Next meeting is May 6 at 6pm in the Cafeteria.

*Motion to adjourn passed.*