

Miner PTO General Meeting

November 1, 2022

The Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale is December 2-3. Please consider purchasing your holiday greenery in advance at minerelementary.org/greenery2022.

Agenda

6:00 - 6:05 Welcome, Introductions, Reading of Minutes

6:05 - 6:10 Principal's Report

6:10 - 6:15 Community School Update

6:15 - 6:20 Kindred Update

6:20 - 6:35 School Committee Reports

6:20 Miner Mutual Aid Network

6:25 Green Team

6:30 LSAT

Regular PTO Business

6:35 - 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 and Approval of the Minutes!

- Welcome to our November PTO General Meeting.
- Reading of the [minutes](#).
- Thank you to our friends at Christ City Church for providing babysitting for the evening. They are in the Library.
- If you are joining us virtually, please be sure to ask your questions in the chat and they will be asked by our Communications Chair.
- After the meeting, please reach out to us at minerpto@gmail.com to let us know what you did/did not like about the hybrid format - we would LOVE your feedback!
- Next PTO meeting date: Tuesday, December 6, at 6:00pm



Introduction of PTO Executive Board

- President - Brandon Scott (2nd Grade Parent)
- Vice President - Abby McGill (1st Grade Parent)
- Treasurer - Nicholas Heitger (4th, 1st, PK4 Parent)
- Secretary - Julie Muir (3rd, 1st, PK3 Parent)
- Teacher Representative - Ms. Kyra Hayes (ELA Coach)
- Principal - Mr. Lawrence Dance



Principal's Report

Principal Dance



Community School Update

Ms. ShaLisa Richardson

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



Kindred Update

Ms. Dana Mitchell





School Committee Reports

Mutual Aid Network
Green Team
LSAT



Miner Mutual Aid Network

Chris Deutsch

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





MINER MUTUAL AID
NETWORK

**NEXT COMMUNITY TABLE:
NOVEMBER 19**

Solidarity. Community. Support.



Miner Mutual Aid Network

Created as an equity committee action team in May 2020 to support the Miner Community during and after the pandemic

Mutual Aid is solidarity. Whether you need help or have help to give the Mutual Aid Network exists to provide support.

Partnered with the Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network to provide PPE, food, household items and other supports to the Miner community

Established monthly Community Table events for the Miner community to access food, PPE, household items, children's books and toys, and distance learning support.



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. Emma Creamer, FoodCorps Representative

Ms. Ashley Luttmmer, School Garden Coordinator

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





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Message



110 posts

311 followers

482 following

Miner Elementary School Garden

Sowing peace & discovery at Miner Elementary School 🌈

Check out our website & resources below! 🥕🌻

linktr.ee/minerelementarygarden

Followed by minerelementaryschool, craftybethh, miner.pto + 15 more



Earth Day ...



BHM ❤️

POSTS

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LSAT Report

Mr. Jason Yoho and Julie Muir

Next Meeting: November 15 at 5:00pm

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



LSAT Internal Elections

- Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho (K teacher) and Julie Muir (3rd, 1st, PK3 parent)
- Co-Secretaries: Andrea Jones (1st grade parent) and Brandon Scott (2nd grade parent)
- Community Representative: Ms. ShaLisa Richardson (Community School Coordinator)



Local School Advisory Team

- LSAT is present in every DCPS school and is comprised of elected representatives of parents, teachers, staff, and a community member - plus PTO leader and WTU building rep.
- Primary purpose is to advise the Principal on school priorities, goals, budget, and annual school plan.
- SY2022-23 Co-Chairs: Mr. Jason Yoho and Julie Muir
- All meetings are open to the public, and all members of the Miner Community are welcome to listen in and ask questions. Exception is during closed budget deliberations in February.
- For more information on the Miner LSAT, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/lstat.html>
- Direct questions to minereslsat@gmail.com



Regular PTO Business



President & VP Reports

- Thank you to all who participated in Trunk-or-Treat, the Community Table, and the Fall Garden Party!
- PTO is looking for Committee Chairs and Members
- How to Connect
- 7th Annual Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale!



How to Connect

- All parents, guardians, teachers, and staff are automatically members of the PTO
- 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-ptol.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/>
- How to share messages: email minercomms@gmail.com and specify which platforms you would like your messages shared on (schoolwide messaging, social media only, etc)
- Follow the school calendar on the [Miner homepage](#)! You can even add it to your phone’s calendar.



7th Annual Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale

- Annual fundraiser
- 5th year partnering with Eliot-Hine Middle School
- 1st year partnering with Payne Elementary
- Sales of trees, wreaths, garland, and baked goods benefit Miner
- Sales of poinsettias benefit Eliot-Hine
- Sales of holiday cards benefit Payne
- [Volunteers needed!](#)
- We recommend making your purchases online in advance (last year we sold out of most items and had very little left for day-of purchases). Place your order online at:

<https://www.minerelementary.org/greenery2022.html>



7th Annual Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale

MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HOME

COVID-19

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHO WE ARE

ACADEMICS & ENRICHMENT

SCHOOL LIFE

MORE...

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2022 Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale

We are now accepting pre-orders.
[Click here](#) to purchase your holiday greenery today!

Buy your holiday trees, wreaths, and garland while supporting Miner and the Miner [Parent Teacher Organization](#)! Our Seventh Annual Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale is here!

[Online pre-orders](#) will be available for pick up at the school Friday, December 2, from 5-8pm and Saturday, December 4 from 9am to 2pm.

For a fifth year in a row, we are partnering with Eliot-Hine Middle School PTO, who will be selling poinsettias via [online pre-ordering at the same link above](#), as well as on-site during the sale at Miner.

This year we will also be joined by the [Payne Elementary PTSA](#), who will be selling holiday cards. You can purchase cards on-site during the sale hours.

Please come out and support three schools!

Friday, December 2 from 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Saturday, December 3 from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Miner Elementary School
601 15th St NE
Washington, DC 20002**

Volunteers needed at the sale!
[Click to sign up](#)



MINER ELEMENTARY PTO,
ELIOT-HINE PTO, & PAYNE
ELEMENTARY PTSA

TEAM UP TO PRESENT THE

7TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY GREENERY & BAKED GOODS SALE

VISIT OUR ONLINE SHOP
TO PRE-ORDER TREES,
WREATHS, POINSETTIAS,
GARLAND (ROPING),
HOLIDAY CARDS, OR
DONATE TO HELP A
FAMILY HAVE A
CHRISTMAS TREE. SCAN
THE QR CODE OR VISIT
MINERELEMENTARY.ORG!

FRI, DECEMBER 2 5PM - 8PM
SAT, DECEMBER 3, 9AM - 2PM
MINER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
601 15TH STREET NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

SUPPORT THREE LOCAL
SCHOOLS AT ONE SALE!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT MINER
PTO (TREES, WREATHS,
ROPING), ELIOT-HINE PTO
(POINSETTIAS), AND PAYNE
PTSA (HOLIDAY CARDS)



PLEASE CONSIDER PLACING
YOUR ORDERS ONLINE IN ADVANCE TO
ENSURE YOUR ITEMS ARE IN STOCK!

ONLINE PRE-ORDERS WILL CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
www.minerelementary.org/greenery2022

Treasurer Report

Nick Heitger

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Treasurer Report (This Period)

Income & Expense Summary 10/1/22 to 10/31/22

Balance as of September 30th, 2022::	\$4,311.62
Add: <i>Income (Oct. 1 thru Oct. 31)</i>	\$2,481.25
<i>Subtract: Expenses (Oct. 1 thru Oct. 31)</i>	<u>-\$469.81</u>
Balance as of October 31st, 2022:	\$6,323.06

Note: Current balance of useable funds is approximately \$1,500 lower due to commitment for Pre-K Cox Farm field trip transportation as well as other field trip commitments.

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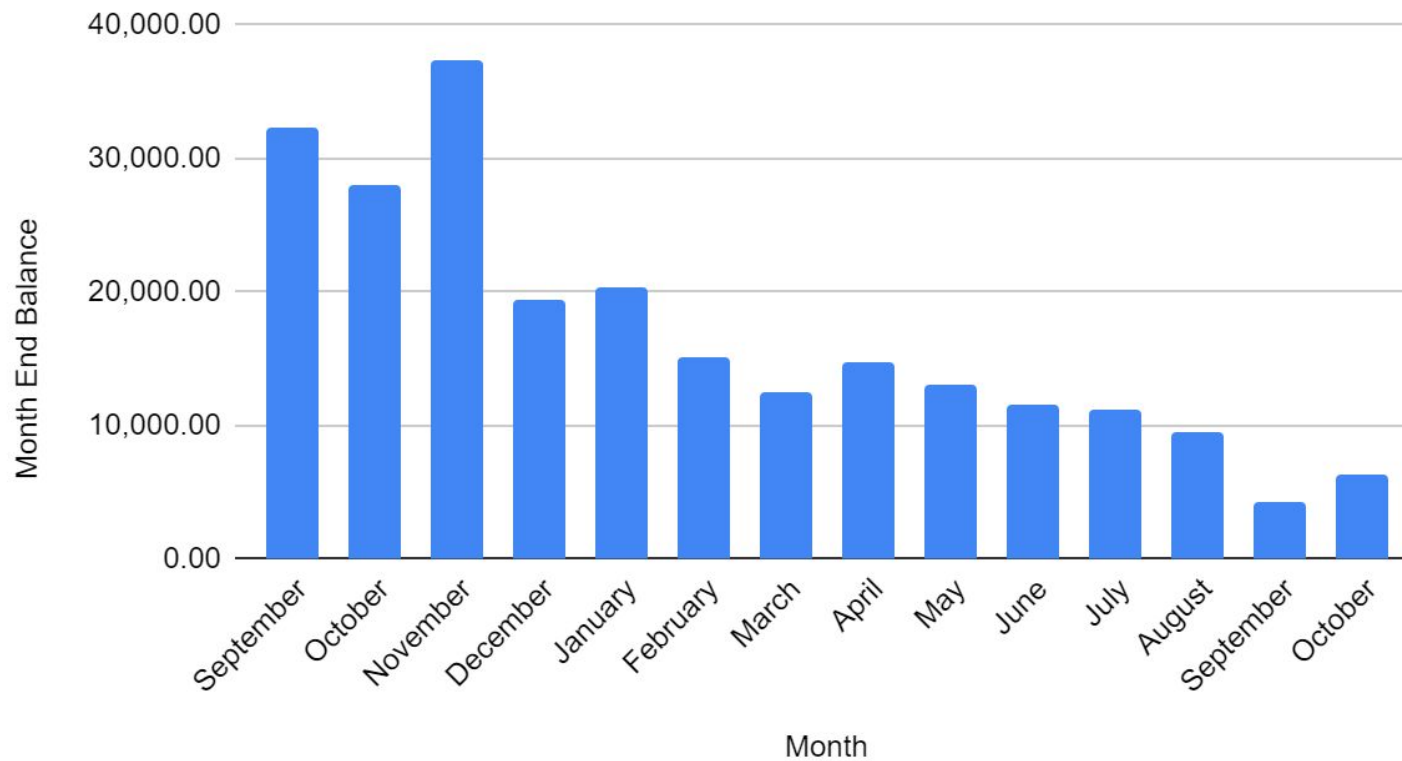
Income this month due to ~\$2K from Safeway fundraiser and \$500+ in donations from the school collection location



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Balance by Month Summary 10/1/21 to 10/31/22

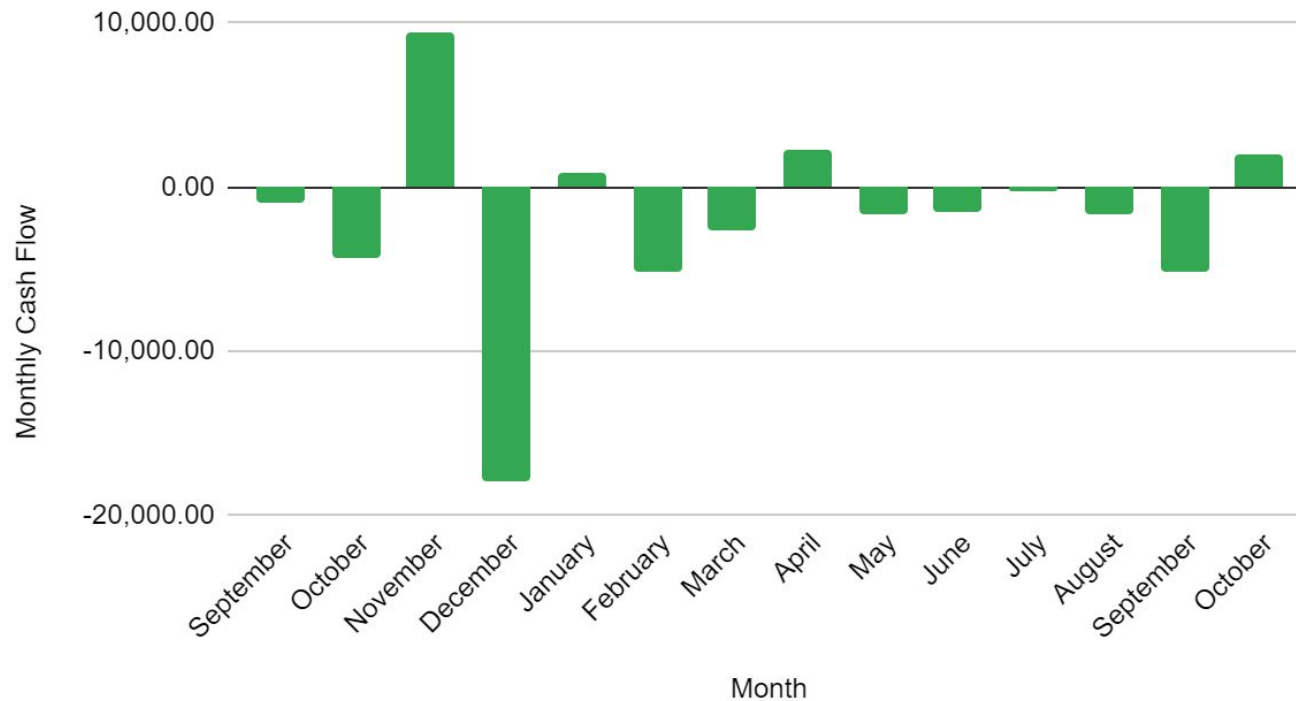
Month End Balance



Treasurer Report (This Period)

Cash Flow Summary 10/1/21 to 10/31/22

Monthly Cash Flow



School Year '22 to '23 Budget:

- Fundraising targets have increased to balance the budget for FY22-23
- Bear Paw Fund target has been set to \$25K - be on the lookout for rollout materials!!!
- Classroom & Schoolwide Support line items are at risk without substantial fundraising efforts this fall and winter

Budget Account	Proposed Expenditures (\$)	Expected Income (\$)
Starting Balance		4,000
Administrative	2,660	0
Classroom Support	9,000	0
Schoolwide Support	16,100	6,000
Field Trip Support	4,700	0
Appreciation & Recognition	2,750	0
Communications	1,400	1,500
Community Engagement	150	0
Equity	500	0
Family Engagement & Events	1,300	0
Fundraising & Grants	21,000	56,245
Garden	10,500	5,000
TOTAL	70,060	72,745
	SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT):	2,685

Garden Activities

"Thanks to the PTO for helping support the Pre-K Earth Day celebration! Activities included a garden read-aloud, seed planting and a nature scavenger hunt! We also had a very successful smoothie taste test. The students loved both of the flavors and had a hard time deciding between them!"



Graduation Ceremonies

"The Miner PTO has provided my class with so many resources and opportunities! Last year, I purchased a Nearpod subscription. This tool allowed me to create more engaging and rigorous lessons during virtual learning and has continued to benefit students this school year during quarantine. Additionally, the PTO sponsored the 5th grade promotion ceremony and helped us give the class of 2021 an awesome socially-distanced celebration. The past few school years have been challenging one for us all, and the PTO's support and encouragement are so appreciated!"



Virtual Field Trip: Ruby Bridges

"Our 1st and 2nd grade students had the pleasure to meet and listen to a read-aloud from civil rights activist Ruby Bridges. The students were able to put a face to a necessary cause and ask thought-provoking questions about a time in history that is different from their education experience. We are so grateful that the Miner PTO supported our classes with securing this unforgettable school experience."



Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Kyra Hayes

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No School for Students

- Monday, November 7 (PD Day for Staff)
- Tuesday, November 8 (Election Day)
- Friday, November 11 (Veterans' Day)
- Wednesday, November 23 - Friday, November 25 (Thanksgiving Break)



Committee Reports

- Appreciation & Recognition:
- Communications: John Muir
- Community Engagement: Julie Muir
- 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)

Thursday, November 3

- **4:00 PM - 6:00 PM at Drew Elementary // DC Scores Elementary Scores Match:** Help us support our Mighty Miner Bears Elementary Scores soccer team as they take on [Drew Elementary](#)!

Monday, November 7

- **Professional Development Day (No School for Students)**

Tuesday, November 8

- **Election Day (School Closed)**

Friday, November 11

- **Veterans' Day (School Closed)**

Tuesday, November 15

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



Upcoming Events (2 of 2)

Wednesday, November 16

- **TBD // K-5 Awards Ceremony**

Tuesday, November 22

- **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. [Click here for more information about the Miner PTO.](#)

November 23-25

- **Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)**

Friday, December 2

- **5:00 PM - 8:00 PM on the Blacktop // Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale:** The Miner PTO will be partnering with neighboring schools to sell Christmas trees, holiday greenery, homemade baked goods, and more. Event details coming soon.

Saturday, December 3

- **9:00 AM - 2:00 PM on the Blacktop // Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale:** The Miner PTO will be partnering with neighboring schools to sell Christmas trees, holiday greenery, homemade baked goods, and more. Event details coming soon.



Reminders & Opportunities

- If you would like to volunteer at the Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale or donate baked goods, please fill out [this volunteer form](#). And don't forget to purchase your greenery in advance by visiting <https://www.minerelementary.org/greenery2022.html>!
- If you are interested in joining a PTO Committee, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html> and email minerpto@gmail.com
- If you are interested in becoming more involved in the garden/with the Green Team, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/green-team.html> and email Ms. Ashley Luttmer at ashley.luttmer@k12.dc.gov
- 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 visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/mutual-aid-network.html> and email minermutualaid@gmail.com



Thank You!

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