

# Miner PTO General Meeting

December 6, 2022

**Thank you all for making the Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale such a success!**

# 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

**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 December 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 VP.
- After the meeting, please reach out to us at [minerpto@gmail.com](mailto: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, January 10, at 6:00pm  
NOTE: NOT the first Tuesday due to holiday break



# 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>



# Community School Update

- We are accepting donations of
  - Gently used uniforms (preferably pants) of all sizes, but we need sizes 4-5
  - New coats
- Holiday Health and Hygiene Initiative (5th grade and possibly 4th grade)
  - Hygiene presentation from Nurse Gray
  - Each student will receive a hygiene kit



# 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:  
DECEMBER 17**

Solidarity. Community. Support.





# Miner Mutual Aid Community Table

**Saturday, December 17**  
**11am - 12pm**

**Miner Elementary School**  
**601 15th St NE**

food boxes  
Household items  
cleaning supplies

clothes  
diapers  
children's books

Donations: [MinerMutualAid@gmail.com](mailto:MinerMutualAid@gmail.com)



Hosted in solidarity with  
Serve Your City/Ward 6  
Mutual Aid



# 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>







minerelementarygarden

Message



110 posts

311 followers

482 following

**Miner Elementary School Garden**

Sowing peace &amp; discovery at Miner Elementary School 🌈

Check out our website &amp; resources below! 🥕 🌻

[linktr.ee/minerelementarygarden](https://linktr.ee/minerelementarygarden)

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



Earth Day ...



BHM ❤️

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, December 7, at 3:45p.m.  
in Ms. Luttmer's class, room 121, or virtually at:  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76048572597?pwd=GMaBpcB6puO9z7hnUBikEgJq2iplmo.1>

# LSAT Report

Mr. Jason Yoho and Julie Muir

Next Meeting: December 20 at 5:00pm

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



# 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/lSAT.html>
- Direct questions to [minereslsat@gmail.com](mailto:minereslsat@gmail.com)



# Regular PTO Business



# President & VP Reports

- Thank you to all who volunteered at the 7th Annual Holiday Greenery and Baked Goods Sale!
- DCPS School Lottery opens December 12
  - Virtual EdFEST is this weekend - sign up at <https://edfest.expoplatform.com/>
  - Miner Open House Schedule Coming Soon
  - Apply to the lottery at <https://www.myschooldc.org/>
- PTO is looking for Committee Chairs and Members
- How to Connect



# 7th Annual Holiday Greenery & Baked Goods Sale



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Help us sell our remaining stock!

- 5: 6-7' Frasers \$120
- 3: 6-7' Balsam/Fraser mix \$95
- 15: small wreaths \$35
- 10: garland \$40

Approximate sale revenue:

- \$5,000 from greenery
- <\$1,000 from the bake 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](mailto: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.





# Treasurer Report

Nick Heitger

# Treasurer Report (This Period)

*Income & Expense Summary 11/1/22 to 12/2/22*

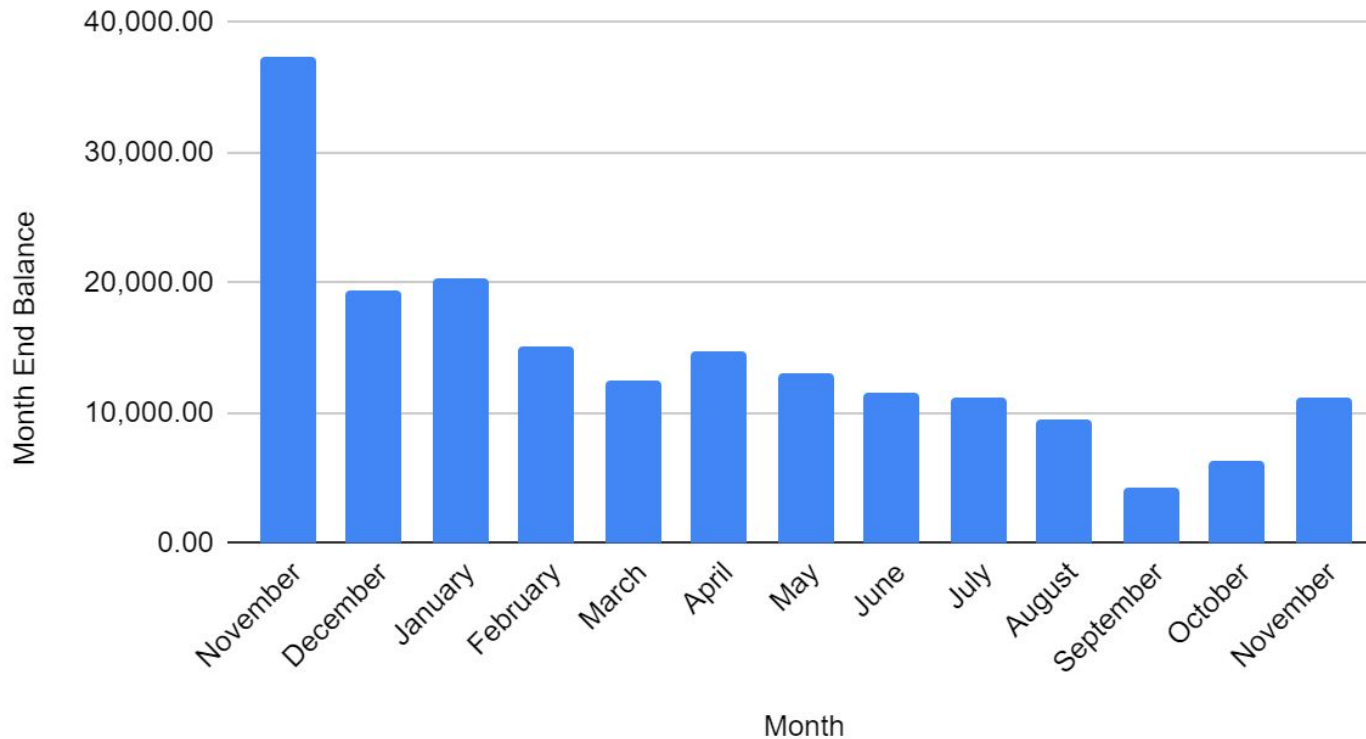
<b>Balance as of October 31st, 2022::</b>	<b>\$6,110.67</b>
<b><i>Add: Income (Nov. 1 thru Nov. 30)</i></b>	<b>\$19,898.82</b>
<b><i>Subtract: Expenses (Nov. 1 thru Nov. 30)</i></b>	<b><u>-\$14,823.73</u></b>
<b>Balance as of December 2nd, 2022:</b>	<b>\$11,185.76</b>

**Note:** Current balance includes revenues and expenses from “trees” associated with sale, but does NOT include the results of the bake sales (Election Day & Tree Sale)

# Treasurer Report (This Period)

*Cash Balance by Month Summary 11/1/21 to 12/2/22*

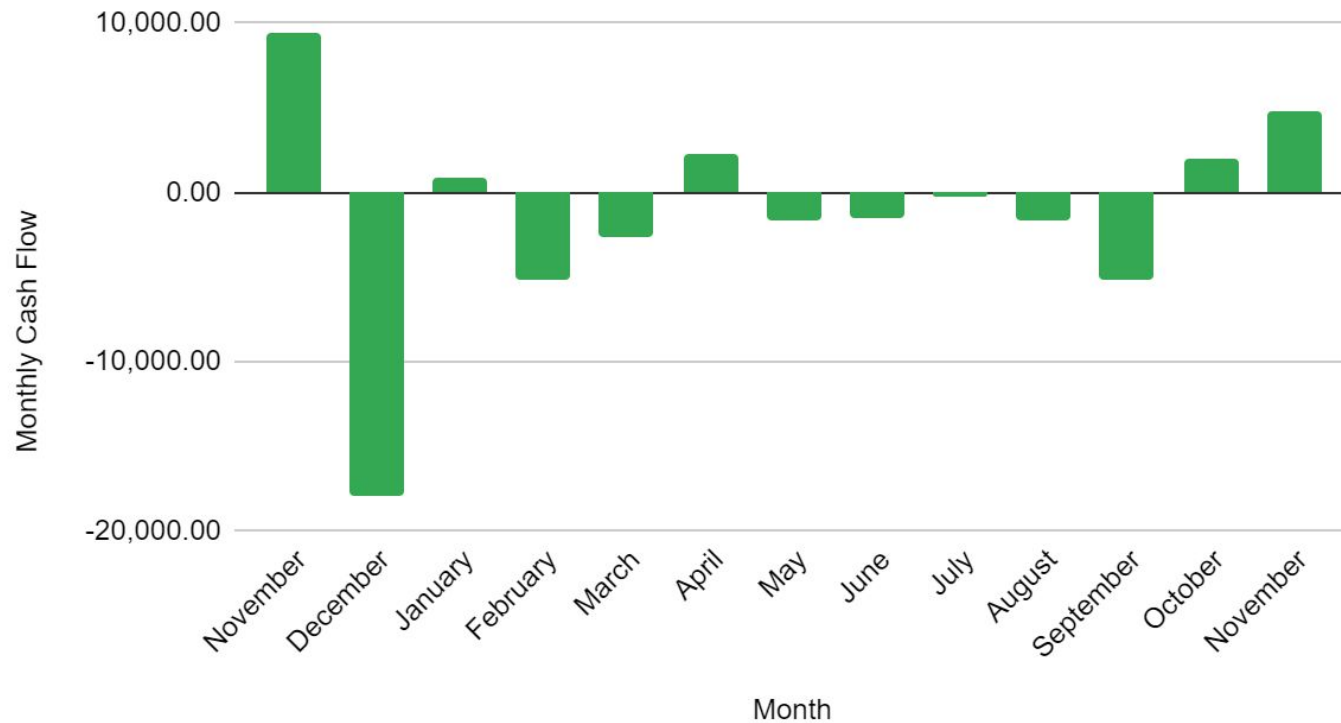
## Month End Balance



# Treasurer Report (This Period)

*Cash Flow Summary 11/1/21 to 12/2/22*

## Monthly Cash Flow



# Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Kyra Hayes

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# Dates of note for December 2022

- Awards Ceremony Thursday, December 8:
  - K-2nd grade students at 9:30
  - 3rd-5th grade students at 1:30
- Holiday Spirit Week December 19-22
- No school December 23 - January 2, 2023 (Winter Break)



# Spirit Week!



# 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](mailto:minerpto@gmail.com)
- Visit our online spirit store at <https://www.cafepress.com/minerelementaryschoolspiritstore>



# Fundraising and Grants

- Big thanks to the Capitol Hill Community Foundation for a \$3,000 grant for Lexia programming for students in lower grades (thanks to Ms. Stoye), and to parent Lexi Smith and Ms. Emma for their work on garden grant proposals that resulted in two additional CHCF grants at \$2,000 each!
- Hoping to turn our soft launch of the Bear Paw Fund into a hard launch in January
- We need your help on outreach! Contact us at [minerpto@gmail.com](mailto:minerpto@gmail.com) to volunteer.



# Fundraising and Grants

## Field Trip: Pumpkin Patch!

Thanks to support from the Bear Paw fund, Pre-K Miner students were able to go to Cox Farm for a day at the pumpkin patch in October. Students got to take a hay ride, fed goats, learned about tractors and explored a corn maze! It was a fun, hand-on trip to explore the outdoors.



# Upcoming Events, Reminders, & Opportunities



# Upcoming Events

## Thursday, December 8

- 9:30 AM in the Gym // K-2 Awards Ceremony
- 1:30 PM in the Gym // 3-5 Awards Ceremony

## Saturday, December 17

- 11:00 AM - 12:00 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.

## Tuesday, December 20

- 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.](#)

## December 19-22

- Holiday Spirit Week

## December 23 - January 2

- Winter Break (School Closed)

## January 10, 2023

- 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria // **PTO General Meeting:** In person and via Zoom.



# Reminders & Opportunities

- If you are interested in joining a PTO Committee, visit <https://www.minerelementary.org/parent-teacher-organization.html> and email [minerpto@gmail.com](mailto: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. Emma at [emma.creamer@foodcorps.org](mailto:emma.creamer@foodcorps.org) or Ms. Ashley Luttmer at [ashley.luttmer@k12.dc.gov](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:minermutualaid@gmail.com)



# Thank You!

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