

WMMMS PTA General Meeting Minutes



Date: May 4, 2023 - 6:30pm - Media Center

Attendees: Kelly Aman, Dail Midgette, Kira Viola, Joe Biggs, Laura Hudgins, Gary Robinson, Michael Stone, Kathy Parzygnat, Michelle Keller, Jodi Bulmer, Morgan Blue, Julie Karg, Brooks Andrews, Emily Stagg, Jennifer Oldson, Suzanne Ladd, Jaclyn Wittenberg, Alice Martinson, Megan Weddington, Tayler Mariner, Ashe Bohannon, Tracy Taylor, Warren Holman, Jennefer Gribble, Eva Bigan

PTA President – Kathy Parzygnat

- Call Meeting to Order at 6:33pm

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- Welcome, introductions, distributed raffle tickets.
- The next item of business is the election of officers, according to Article 6 of the NCPTA Uniform Bylaws. This year's Nominating Committee is Jodi Bulmer (Chair), Morgan Blue, and Jennifer Lee.
 - Jodi Bulmer, Nominating Committee Chair, submitted the following nominations for the West Millbrook Magnet Middle School PTA officers for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - For President – Emily Stagg
 - For Treasurer – Suzanne Ladd
 - For Secretary – Jennifer Oldson
 - For VP Staff Events & Volunteers – Morgan Blue
 - For VP Student Programs – Kris Hague
 - For VP Outreach & Community Events – Jaclyn Wittenberg
 - For VP of Fundraising – OPEN

Jodi Bulmer asked for any further nominations from the floor for any of these offices and, being none, declared the nominations closed. With only one nomination per slot, per the bylaws, the election was held on voice vote. Members in attendance offered unanimous voice vote for the slate of nominees. Elections complete.

VP of Fundraising – Julie Karg

- Successfully held 7 Spirit Nights so far this year.
- Our next Spirit Night: Goodberry's in late May or early June.

Treasurer's Report – Jodi Bulmer

- Reconciled bank account on 4/30 - balance is \$29,052.41.
- Two Budget proposals for consideration:
 - 1) WMMMS PTA membership dues increase: In December 2022, the National PTA Board of Directors proposed a new dues rate of \$4.00 (a \$1.75 adjustment per

membership). In this regard, the WMMMS PTA proposed the following membership dues increases for the 2023-24 school year: \$7/Faculty (currently \$5) and \$12/General Membership (currently \$10).

2) Proposed a new model to allocate funds for end of year events: The current allocation has not been changed since 2012 and should be adjusted to meet inflation costs. The newly proposed model to allocate funds for end of year events is:

- i) Year 1, increase from \$750/yr to \$1K/yr
 - ii) Year 2, increase from \$750/yr to \$1K/yr
 - iii) Year 3, change the model to a per student cost. If we budget \$10 per event (dance, picnic, ceremony), this would allocate \$30 per student.
- Motion was made to approve by Julie Karg.
- Seconded by Alice Martinson.
- Quorum was met and the Budget was amended with no dissent.
- Proposed a motion to open an Operational Reserve Account at First Citizens Bank.
 - Motion was made to approve by Warren Holman.
 - Seconded by Julie Karg.
 - Quorum was met and motion was approved with no dissent.

Principal Update – Kelly Aman

- Expressed gratitude for the support from the PTA and volunteers this year.

Assistant Principal and Teacher Rep Updates:

- Year 1: Dail Midgette and Kira Viola
 - Ms. Midgette, Year 1 Assistant Head of School:
 - Our students created a slide show to celebrate Principal Aman on Monday, which was Principal Appreciation Day.
 - Busily preparing for EOG's.
 - Preparing for 6th grade Open House - currently have 135 rsvp's.
 - Ms. Viola, Year 1 Math Teacher
 - Because the recent field trip to the zoo was interrupted, we are hoping to schedule another to the NC Museum of Natural Sciences.
 - Busily preparing for EOG's with lots of math and vocabulary games.
 - Year 1 Olympics coming up (w/ activities, food, & student success recognition).
- Year 2: Joe Biggs and Laura Hudgins
 - Mr. Biggs, Year 2 Assistant Head of School:
 - Thank you for such a warm welcome to WMMMS this year.
 - Busily preparing for EOG's.
 - Ms. Hudgins, Year 2 Language Acquisition

- Preparing for EOG's with rotations.
- Field trip to Bowling Alley (2 locations to accommodate all) is scheduled for 6/8.
- Year 3: Gary Robinson and Michael Stone
 - Mr. Robinson, Year 3 Assistant Head of School:
 - Students had an incredible field trip to UNCW on 3/24 - campus was very inviting and open.
 - 3 different EOG's coming up - science, math, and reading. Students have been very motivated collecting stickers for their successes.
 - Ceremony logistics/instructions going out to Year 3 parents very soon.
 - Mr. Stone, Performings Arts teacher:
 - Dance Concerts are scheduled for 5/16 & 18.
 - Band & Choral Concerts are scheduled for 5/22 & 23.
 - Students are doing rotations in preparation for EOG's.
 - Students received their invites in their ELA classes today.
 - Big cheers to Mr. Robinson for setting the standard and being a great leader for our Year 3 students and faculty this year.

Secretary – Michelle Keller

- Asked for approval of the February PTA General Meeting minutes.
 - Motion was made to approve by Tayler Mariner.
 - Seconded by Laura Hudgins.
 - Quorum was met and minutes were passed with no dissent.

VP of Communications/Volunteers – Morgan Blue

- The End of Year Luncheon, scheduled for 6/12, will be our final event for the school year. It will be catered by Armadillo Grill, which is owned by a WMMMS family.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

