



Little River Elementary PTA MEETING

October 12, 2021 / 8:00 PM / Google Meets

ATTENDEES: Sharolyn Paschal, Mike Fitzgerald, Heather Lucier, Anna Maddock, Carrie Hanna, Christine Garris, Danielle Long, Elizabeth Bush, Jennifer LePore, Jennifer Mitkowski, Justin Fabin, Kevin Murphy, Kimberly Dempsey, Kristie McKinney, Michelle Amend, Susan Simmons, Aijaya Chary, Kati Ashley

CALL TO ORDER: 8:01

AGENDA

President: Sharolyn

- Welcome new VP of Fundraising - Jeremy Lucier
- Reminder that we have the following positions still open: President Elect and VP of Events

Treasurer: Mike

- **The Treasurer's Financial Report** is posted on the PTA website. No budget amendments are being requested at this time. Primary activity is membership sales, donations, spirit wear/sprout fundraisers and social events.
- **Compliance Update** - 2020 - 2021 Financial Review has been accepted by VA PTA and we are currently in compliance. We are starting to prepare the 990 tax filing which is due in mid-November.
- **Staff Reimbursement** - Reminder that staff reimbursement forms and guidelines are on the PTA website and you can submit for reimbursement. We have started reimbursing for those who have submitted requests. Deadline for reimbursement is December 17th.

- **The Finance Committee** is still in need of a few volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering please feel free to sign up on the website or reach out to mike@littleriverpta.org.

VP of Fundraising:

- Art to Remember - just got the link to start ordering going out to teachers to give out to the students. Legacy tiles go up in the school.
- Spirit Night November
- Spirit Wear: 235 items sold, raising \$1,720

Secretary: Heather

- Membership: Drive ended this past Friday with 395 memberships with 40 staff signed up. Just because the drive is over doesn't mean you can't still sign up. The link is on our little river pta website!
 - Classes that qualified for prizes: 16 classes, at least one in every grade.
 - McCormick and Amend both reached the pizza party at 90%+!
 - 50% classes getting snow cones are: Dingus, Mitkowski, P. Martin, K. Martin, Schott, Bonner, Bradford, Bruner, Harvey, Bessa, Bruzzesi, Fulton, Simmons, and Ra!

Volunteer Coordinator: Kati

- Sweet frog recap - thank you to Eddie and Miss Frog helpers.
- Appreciation committee needed
- Fifth grade promotion committee needed
- Glow dance help night of is needed
- Stock the lounge is open all year! Amazon wishlist available.

Administration:

- VGA is underway for the first year.
- COGAT test is coming for 3rd and 4th graders.
- Looking for subs for the school as there is a nationwide shortages
- 10/28 last day of the quarter, 10/29 is professional development day (no school). Only days for students first week of November are 11/3 and 11/5 (Wed/Friday)

- Veteran's Day is coming up next month and is not a holiday. We will be celebrating with family veterans in the building.
- No adults will be at class parties this year.
- Tomorrow, Wednesday 10/13, celebrating Mr. Hackett one of our 4th grade teachers, is waiting on his heart transplant by wearing pink or red.

Special Education Advisory Committee: Elizabeth Bush

- Upcoming Presentations:
- Thursday Oct. 14, 9-10:30am or 6:30-8pm- Social-Emotional Learning: Using Skills and Strategies to Support Academic Learning (registration required through LCPS Parent Resource Services)
- Tuesday, Oct. 19, 6:30-7:30pm- Overview of the Virginia IEP System (registration required through LCPS Parent Resource Services)
- Wednesday, Oct. 27, 6:30-8pm- Sources of Strength (registration required through LCPS Parent Resource Services)
- Thursday, Oct. 28, 6:30-8pm- While the bus is still coming: Exploring Self-Advocacy and Workplace Readiness Skills in elementary school (registration required through LCPS Parent Resource Services)
- Wednesday, Nov. 3, 6-8:30- SEAC Annual Report

Minority Student Achievement Advisory Council: Christine Garris

- No updates

Open discussion

- Question: "Have any of the central office personnel picked up any of the open sub jobs at LRE yet?" Response, "no, not yet."
- Question: "why are the teacher's favorites lists not on the website anymore?" Response, "It was old. It is being updated."
- Question: "Are there any specific apps teachers use in the classroom and for contact with the parents?" Response, "We recommend teachers use twitter for some of this for ease and safety and privacy/content."

Action Items

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Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, Nov 9, 2021 at 8:30

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