

# PTA MINUTES

Maury Elementary PTA, 600 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22301

*Date | time* February 11, 2019 @ 6:30 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Emily Carlsen, President

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## In Attendance

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Emily Carlsen, Victor Powell, Lara Press, Andrea Klores, Jen Henel, Kris Schulz, Kate Marks, Bety Cook, and PTA Members, Parents, and Guardians

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## Approval of Minutes

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- January minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

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## President's Report

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- Two STEM presentations from Carnegie Mellon on planets and solar system first, then aligned with atmosphere and weather for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Emily will share a link with videos.
- Thank your Crossing Guards including Charlotte Poindexter on Wednesday for appreciation day.
- Maury Day at the George Mason University Women's Basketball game is on February 24. An online form for tickets is available from the PTA website.
- Jody Zand will be the new president of the Maury PTA for the '19-'20 school year, unless other candidates are interested, and if so, there can be an election.
- Seeking parents to do tours at 9am for the Kindergarten Open House.
- Hoping to host another Water Run this year. If interested in helping out, contact Jen Kenealy.
- Beyer donated books to the school, so they need to be tagged for reading specialists. If interested in volunteering, contact Emily.
- Getting close to exhausting mini grants, only about \$1,600 remains in the account.
  - Lara suggested checking in with the second grade teachers for the Beauty and the Beast production at TC Williams.

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## Principal's Report

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- Provided an update on school population: Expecting to stay consistent for 2019-2020 school year and with 17 homerooms.
- Reviewed the PCG Consultation feedback from the 2-month audit that included shadowing and observation, review of IEPs (sampling), and classroom visits. Maury did very well in the audit.
- Shared updates on the quarterly meetings with the Superintendent, including how Maury is advancing students' social and emotional wellbeing in addition to education.
- New staff: Sophia Green, registrar (shared contact information through newsletter); Art and PE student teachers.
- Updated on building projects.

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## President Elect's Report

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- Anita shared that 78 children are registered for the Spelling Bee. Children will take the written tests on February 12, and the final bee is on February 23. She thanked Mr. Powell for his support.

- Still have a glut of uniforms – need to continue to provide access to Maury students.
  - Mr. Powell noted that Patrick Henry’s principal said she’d need more.
  - Consider offering them at Campagna pick up.
  - Parent-teacher conference days may be another option.
- Purple Up Day to show support for military families: April 12. There will also be a breakfast for military kids.

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## VP Communications Report

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- Looking at options for other ways to share fliers from the Thursday folders.
- Mr. Powell will also send the fliers through the Maury newsletter.

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## VP Programs

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- Garden Committee and Green Team will be setting up Garden clean up dates and sharing information with teachers on recycling.

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## Secretary's Report

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- No update.

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## Treasurer's Report

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- Budgeted to raise \$8,000 for Spring 2 Action. Will fund all student field trips.

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## VP of Fundraising Report

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- No update.

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## Next Meeting

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The next PTA meeting will be held on March 11, 2019 @ 6:15 PM.

The meeting ended at 7:05 pm.