

Fox Mill PTA General Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- 1. Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Matt Hicke, the PTA President at 7:01pm through Zoom. The secretary was present.
- 2. Members Present:** There were 17 total attendees at the start of the meeting and a quorum was established. The meeting and attendees were recorded through the Zoom platform.
- 3. Board Membership:** Matt Hicke has completed his term and introduced Seth Edwards as the incoming president. The rest of the board has completed their term as well. Seth then introduced the rest of the board nominees: Russell Douglass, Emily Chappel, and Tory Nelson. A vote was held regarding the board nominees and all attendees were in favor. Matt motioned to approve the new board and Jess Kennedy second the motion. With the new board now in place, Matt Hicke and Dharini Ganesh (past treasurer) will be removed from the PTA bank account. Seth Edwards (current president) and Russell Douglass (current treasurer) will be added to the account.
- 4. Fundraising and Events:** Maureen Anderson reported that the PTA has been advised to not make any plans for the year although they are hoping to still hold a few community events. Seth mentioned interest in another ice-skating event and will explore options such as the outdoor rink at Reston Town Center. Maureen mentioned the movie night event that was held this past spring. Jess Kennedy asked about having a PTA student directory offered this year to support families in being able to communicate with one another. Mr. Moose said that this can be done as long as parents are provided with the option to participate. Sarah Jones mentioned the A to Z directory that was used to create an online directory in the past. Jess Kennedy will look into this and it was mentioned that two other PTA members had expressed interest in helping with this at the back-to-school night. Room parents can also assist in reaching out to parents. Another suggestion was to develop an online survey to share with PTA members to receive feedback regarding what they'd like the PTA to do and how they may be willing to assist.

5. **Principal's Report:** Brian Moose reported that things are moving along with the renovation and the students have been doing a great job adjusting to the changes. Concern was shared regarding the reduction in the number of bathrooms available. Josh Anderson has contacted the county about this and encourages others to do the same. Mr. Moose also shared that a communication will be going out tomorrow regarding two positive COVID cases amongst staff. Communication of any positive cases will be shared with the school community on Fridays. Any staff or students considered close contacts will be notified individually as part of the contact tracing. Regarding staffing updates, a 4th kindergarten teacher was hired at the start of the school year. The school needs subs to provide coverage when staff are on leave and they are currently short a counselor. The school is appreciative of the parents who have been volunteering in the cafeteria and they hope to hire a cafeteria host soon. Ryoko Messeder had asked if the school could use subs for the Japanese classrooms and Mr. Moose responded that this is a need. If anyone is interested in serving as a sub, please let him know.

6. Open Forum:

- A concern was shared about the construction crew changing clothes along Viking drive around dismissal time. Mr. Moose will address this.
- A question was asked how information about upcoming meetings is communicated to the school community. Information was shared regarding the PTA website and how parents can sign up for Fox Mill communications through News You Choose.

7. Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm.

Minutes

Approved as presented _____ Date: _____

Approved as corrected _____ Date: _____

Secretary (signature)