

ACCESS Academy PTA General Membership Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 18, 2021, 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Virtual Meeting

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Meeting called to order by ACCESS President Phoebe shen at 7:33 pm.

Icebreaker Question: [Favorite Games](#)

ATTENDANCE: 15 people joined the meeting, 14 of whom are PTA members for the 2020-2021 year. Six voting members constitute a quorum for a General Membership Meeting.

Minutes of 01/20/20 General ACCESS Academy PTA Meeting

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APPROVED AS WRITTEN

Treasurer's Report by treasurer Jennifer Rabby

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Current balance: \$46,114.56

Very little activity. Meeting participants are encouraged to remind their student's teacher to utilize funds if given the opportunity.

New Business

The Nomination Committee led by current Vice Presidents are calling for new committee members for 2021-22 school year.

Open Positions: VP, Co-Sec., and Co-Treasurer

Principal Update

The Principals are unable to attend. Notes below are the contents of an email from Ginger sent earlier today:

"2021 Application status: the application went live yesterday 2/17 so I have not looked at any data yet. it will close on 4/16. We have Information mtgs scheduled for March and April and one in May.

Distance learning update: We are preparing for Limited In Person Instruction to start 3/1 at both locations. M & TH, 1:00-3:00 @ Vestal & T & TH, 2:00-4:00 @ Lane. We will have mixed grade cohorts. Negotiations are in process with district labor groups for Hybrid Learning agreements. District is planning for quarter 4 Hybrid with either AM or PM sessions. Not much detail at this point.

MAPS testing update: grades 3 - 8 are in process for the literacy and math assessments. The window is open until 2/26. I have not heard about a spring window for MAPs.

Move update: I have a mtg tomorrow afternoon with the project team. We will meet every other Friday moving forward. I heard from one of our ACCESS parents last night that the Montessori School has secured a new facility. Not much more to report at this point."

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Announcements

Book Drive: we have 100 gently used picture books + board books so far.

Yearbook Deadlines: Yearbook photo submission deadlines are 2/26 (head), 3/12 (candid)

Spelling Bee: concluded successfully, thank you JaneAnne! Winner was 8th grader Ashley R.

Website Management: email to accessacademywebsite@gmail.com for any updates or corrections

Upcoming Events

2/22 - ACCESS Site Council Meeting 4:00 - 5:30

3/8 - Virtual Elementary info session

3/11 - Virtual MS info session

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM