

ACCESS Academy PTA General Membership Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 7:30 pm to 8:45 pm
Virtual Meeting

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Meeting called to order by ACCESS President Phoebe shen at 7:32 pm. The attendees filled out a Doodle Poll and introduced themselves.

ATTENDANCE: 31 people joined the meeting, 13 of whom are PTA members for the 2020-2021 year. Six voting members constitute a quorum for a General Membership Meeting.

Minutes of 5/13/20 General ACCESS Academy PTA Meeting **approved as written.**

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2020-2021 Standing Rules, **approved as written.**

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Treasurer's Report by treasurer Jennifer Rabby

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IEq25NyZgzxyCRy5d0aZYwFLGs1zv5xq/view?usp=sharing>

Funds have been coming in for membership renewal, Give, and Helping Hands. Expenses thus far have been primarily business-related.

Membership Toolkit

Phoebe walked us through a brief overview of how it works.

Volunteer Opportunities

Open Positions needing to be filled: some grade/room parents, t-shirts, yearbook, website update, Membership Toolkit Admin, Volunteer Coord., OBOB, apple/pear coord, teacher apprec. Coordinator.

Principal's Update - Principal Taylor

Virtual Arch of Friendship: Ginger asked for ideas. Is there some way to welcome new students virtually? Ideas discussed a slide show, or a classroom-based welcome. Ginger will bring it to teachers and/or the Student Council.

Collect Feedback on Virtual Learning: Ginger's initial response is yes and too soon. Recognizes the goal is to standardize access to class links. Feedback from parents included asking teachers to schedule through Google calendars, to inform students and parents with adequate time, and to compile a master document to be found at Membership Toolkit.

Other Updates: Ginger provided an update on the walk to math assessment. Several students still need to take them; we'd like to start W2M on Tuesday 9/22. Spread the word: take the assessment. Math Counts, Science Bowl practice will be starting soon. Middle School students

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have 100% asynchronous learning on Fridays, and a parent reported that students would like as much synchronous time as possible. Ginger responded that it is a work in progress; will reassess after this week.

New building & Visioning: At the community meeting on Sept. 3rd, the word "Visioning" was used several times. Meaning related to the discussion: it includes taking a look through fresh eyes to address how we approach identifying TAG students.

Hiring activity: New counselor 2x per week, interviewed promising media specialist Monday, school climate specialist job is posted, with the expectation that this position works with all grades, not just elementary level.

How can we help admin & staff when the moving process begins? Admin will reach out to us as they begin to have more information.

A parent asked about textbooks for MS, and how we can distribute them. A MS teacher has a plan and will be sharing a distribution plan through the Atomic Flyer.

On recording the principal meetings: Ginger is unsure and will check.

Enrollment: 323 students, an increase of 24 students.

Announcements

Save the date: Back To School night. 6:00 - 7:30 Sept 30, for 1-5, & October 1st for MS

Upcoming Events

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:50.