

Crosswind Elementary PTA General Body Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

Teams: 6:00pm

Present: 40 people attended, for a list of attendees please reference the teams attendance document attached

Next meeting: May 11, 2021 at 6:00pm via Microsoft Teams

1. Introduction

- Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Julie Hendrick.
- Quorum was established at 6:42pm

Principal's Welcome:

Mr Tupper joined us this evening in lieu of Ms Murin. Glow parties (that began today) were a success - the kids thoroughly enjoyed it - and it will continue in the PE classes this week. TCAP begins on 4/13-4/21 - important that kids get to school on time as testing is all done in the AM hours. Admin/teachers did an April Fools prank on the students - a "flood drill" where students remove their shoes and socks and squat on their chairs. It was a fun day.

May 5-6 we will have Summer Blast at Crosswind. More information to come. 5th Grade parents who sent questions in for those students as they transition to middle school - those questions have already been answered and will be sent out to our Crosswind families. In addition, Ms Robbins at West Collierville Middle School will be in attendance at our May 11th General Body PTA Meeting.

2. President's Report

- PTA Parent Workshops - mental health parent workshops - Anxiety in Childhood and Depression in Childhood have been completed. April 29th is our last workshop on Executive Functioning - signup on the PTA website.
- Family Engagement Activities - we have hosted a handful of engagement activities so far this spring and look to continue with one more activity: May 2 at 3:00pm with a virtual magic show.
- Spring Beautification Project - our 3rd quarter project was cleaning out the PTA closet at Crosswind. The 4th quarter project will be an outdoor beautification including planting.
- Glow Parties are going on all week in each child's PE class. All CVA families may pick up glow kits in the front of the school. The virtual glow party will be Friday during virtual students' lunch break. Links to join parties are on the PTA website.

- Kona Ice Truck will be in attendance at CW on 5/21 and all students and CVA students will receive a free snow cone!
- **Julie Hendrick moved to accept the general body minutes from 02/16/21 as written. Motion was seconded. Motion was accepted by voice vote at 6:42pm on by vote of 40/0.**

3. CNLD: Announcement of the 2021-22 Slate of Officers

Leska Parker, Merritt Baumgartner, Tiffany Hiller, Marianne Dodd, and Holly Scarbrough were members of the CNLD. The CNLD brings recommendations for Executive Committee positions to the General Body who then votes on the recommendations. If you were not listed in the recommendations but wish to serve, you will need to run from the floor by emailing Susan Schwartz (SusanS@crosswindpta.com) by 4/27/21. The elections will be held by electronic ballot May 6-7 with the 2021-2022 Executive Committee announced at the PTA General Body meeting held on 5/11/21. The new Executive Committee board members will then approve all committee chair recommendations made by the CNLD at their first board meeting.

The CNLD made recommendations for the following positions:

President: Julie Hendrick

1st VP - Parent Volunteers: Susan Schwartz

2nd VP - Membership: Leska Parker

3rd VP - Publicity: Whitney Taylor

4th VP - Ways & Means: No Nominee Slated

5th VP - Programs: Jennifer Maree

Secretary: Holly Scarbrough

Treasurer: Lilia Lauren

Committee Chairs:

Safety/Citizenship: Lori Duncan

Hospitality: Julie Gentry

Family Engagement: Joy Allen

Community Outreach: Kim Allen

Cultural Arts: Emily Clemmer

Legislative Advocacy: Myra McCaskill-Crenshaw

4. Formation of DEI Special Committee

Crosswind PTA is looking to form a DEI special committee. The DEI committee will aid in researching, analyzing, and evaluating diversity, equity, and inclusion within the Crosswind

community and Crosswind PTA. This committee will help guide the formation of the new DEI Standing Committee Chairperson position that will sit on the Crosswind PTA Board of Managers. More information is available on the Crosswind PTA website.

If you have an interest in serving on this committee, please fill out [this form](#) to let us know.

5. Treasurer's Report

- See attached treasurer's report
- We have been in the process of reworking the budget to move any excess/unused money into the general school support line item so we can utilize that money for classrooms and teachers. The consolidating expenses are:
 - \$1,176 from committee expenses
 - \$500 from the Reading Programs budget line to be re-purposed for buying electronic books and resources for the Crosswind Library
 - \$277 that was excess after the whiteboard purchase
 - \$2109.75 from the General Expenses Budget Line (life achievement award, benevolence fund, get moving crew, and Crosswind branded materials)
 - Teachers have until the end of April to utilize their teacher grants. Any leftover will be moved over to General School Support.
- In order to consolidate these expenses, the General Body will need to approve the motions via electronic vote, which can be found [here](#). *Voting closes at 6:00pm on 4/7/21.

6. School of Excellence Update

We are nearing the end of this process and will be sending out a second survey to the Crosswind families soon. We should be hearing about the designation sometime this summer.

7. Community Outreach Update

Julie Gentry assisted with the Kids Can project in partnership with Student Council. We collected a very large amount that blew away the Collierville Food Pantry workers.

At the end of April, we will collect donations to support the Collierville Schools Family Resource Center, which serves our community. They requested help with a summer activity kit that goes home with food bags. PTA will be sending out a collection sign-up (4/26-4/28).

Sponsorship Spotlight:

Myra McCaskill-Crenshaw highlighted three of our PTA sponsors:

- Republic Roofing & Restoration
- NST Attorneys at Law
- McCaskill Crenshaw Group

Upcoming Dates:

- April 6-9 - PTA PE Glow Parties
- April 7 - Monthly Teacher Treats (2nd Grade)
- April 26-28 – Family Resource Center summer activity bag collection
- April 29 - PTA Parent Workshop: Executive Functioning, 6pm on Teams
- May 3-7 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 5-6 - Summer Blast
- May 11 - Last PTA Meeting (Elections)

Meeting Adjourned by Julie Hendrick at 6:42pm.

Meeting Recording: https://crosswindpta-my.sharepoint.com/:v/p/hollys/EfN0UKjRGRJCvAIO1d_mofYBgIQHfkH9BqBwn2PcndafWQ?e=VelIYU