

PTA Maryland Congress of Parents & Teachers, Inc.
General Membership Meeting
Maryvale Elementary School- Media Center
April 4, 2017, 7:00 PM

- Call to Order** Meeting called to order by President, Sabine Philippe, at 7:10 PM.
- Purposes** Read by Sabine Philippe.
- Quorum** Quorum established.
- Minutes** February minutes were reviewed. Laura Dillon moved to approve the minutes. It was seconded and passed.

Agenda:

- Principal's Report** M. Susie Prin provided the following information to the membership.
- April 20 (4:30 PM) & April 27 (7:00 PM) in Media Center: Public input meetings with with architects and building construction team. Purpose is to collect input that will be used to develop a preliminary design for the new school. Do not need to attend both meetings. At the May 2nd PTA meeting (7:00 PM), the MCPS Division of Construction staff will provide a 15-minute update.
 - May 18 & 19: Kindergarten orientation for upcoming school year. All current Kindergarten students will not come to school on both days. There is a request for volunteers, contact M. Susie Prin if interested Margaret_S_Prin@mcpsmd.org.
 - May: PARCC testing for grades 3,4 5 students.
- Guest Speaker** Suzanne Kelly from State of Maryland 529 Plan gave a presentation on the 2 types of Maryland 529 college savings plans. Information folders were provided and extras are in the PTA office. For more information: visit Maryland529.com. Call: 888-4MD-GRAD
- Treasurer Report** Current balance is 15,798.00. Expected to go down after some outstanding expenses, but anticipating a large carry forward balance due to reduced expenses this year. Discussion will be held at board meeting about potential funding to the school to reduce carry forward balance. An updated copy of line items will be posted on the PTA website, www.MaryvalePTA.org.
- Delegate Report** Delon Pinto gave a summary from the MCCPTA delegates assembly on Tuesday 3/28
- Fundraising Report** Provided by Liliana Brown. Direct appeal is still ongoing. Direct donation verification letters are available upon request to treasurer@maryvalepta.org. We will host another Restaurant night before the end of the school year. The clothing to cash income has been good this year.
- Fun Run Update** Provided by coordinator, Sabine Philippe. Maryvale's PE teacher, Mr. O'Connor, has volunteered to help. The event will take place during the Friday, April 21st school day at about 10am. Ms. Rebecca Hubbard, Maryvale's music teacher, is working on the event schedule. Volunteers are being organized now, contact volunteers@maryvalepta.org.
- Nomination Committee** Nominations are being collected through April 20th. All Positions with a short description are listed on the PTA website. Submit nominations to PTA_Elections@icloud.com. Elections will be held during the May 2nd PTA meeting. A nomination slate will be distributed prior to May meeting.

Old Business:

- Review and approve revision to the bylaws. Bylaws Review committee: Delon Pinto, Sabine Philippe, Michelle Weisse, Rob Gray.
 - Bylaw committee proposed 3 revisions to the bylaws

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- Reduce the number of Vice Presidents from 4 to 1, therefore having an Executive VP and revising the VP of Fundraising, VP of Volunteers and VP of Advocacy to Chair positions.
 - Remove the requirement of having a Faculty member on the nomination committee.
 - Replaced the description of Executive VP to the standard description from National PTA.
- Delon Pinto moved to approve the bylaw revisions as proposed by the bylaw committee. 2 Nays. It was seconded and passed.

Announcements:

- Next PTA MEETING, May 2, 2017, from 7pm-8p
- Maryvale Science Fair, Wednesday, April 5th. 6:30-8:15.
- Volunteers needed for Staff Appreciation Breakfast on Monday, May 1st @ 8:15 AM and Staff Appreciation Luncheon on Friday, May 5th @ 11:45 AM.
- April 21st- Fun Run. Volunteers needed.

Adjourned: General Membership Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Minutes prepared by Jenifer Cushing, Secretary