

Bells Mill Elementary School Parent Teacher Association

PTA General Meeting Minutes – September 1, 2020

Call to Order

The meeting was held in person, socially distanced in the Bells Mill parking lot and called to order at 6:20 p.m.

Attendance

A total of 15 PTA members attended the meeting.

PTA Board Elections

Devin Donaldson presented the proposed slate of board members, including those running for re-election as well as new candidates for the Secretary and Delegate 2 positions. Ray Bell made a motion to vote; it was seconded by Diana Ducey. All 15 attending PTA members voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

Position	Member
President	Devin Donaldson
VP1/VP of Fundraising	Laurie DeMarco
VP of Communications	Debbie Fleischer
VP of Committees	Georgia Karamalikis
Treasurer	Matthew Barlow
Secretary	Asmaa Seif-Eldin
Delegate 1	Richard Chang
Delegate 2	Ray Bell

PTA Budget

Matthew Barlow presented the proposed budget (see attachment below). He made a motion to vote; it was seconded by Diana Ducey. All 15 attending PTA members voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed. The [approved budget](#) is available on the PTA website.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

Devin thanked everyone for attending. The next PTA meeting will be held on zoom on October 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Attachment: Proposed budget for 2020-2021

- **Academic Improvement — \$10,000**
Teacher training, books, and materials
 - Media center books
 - Gifted and talented materials
- **Cultural Arts — \$5,000**
Artist in Residence which includes visits by grade of poets, artists, illustrators, musicians and writers
 - Reflections Art awards and assembly
 - Two cultural arts assemblies, such as Mad Science, traveling planetarium and children's author
- **Student Affairs — \$6,500**
Indoor and outdoor recess
 - Organizers for students
 - Fifth grade promotion celebration and patrol picnic
 - Odyssey of the Mind and Model UN
- **School Events — \$8,000**
Community building events such as Back-to-School Picnic, Skate Night, Bells Mill Bash, Kindergarten popsicle social, Movie Night, Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad and Talent Show
 - Informational events such as Principal's Teas, Kindergarten Orientation, Math/Literacy Nights, Geography Bowl, Science Fair, International Night, and Black History Night
- **Staff Appreciation — \$5,000**
Staff back to school ice cream social
 - Staff lunch for before winter break
 - Staff appreciation week in the spring
 - Staff gifts for holidays and end of the school year for those not sponsored by room parents
- **Administration — \$1,500**
Liability insurance for the PTA
 - MCCPTA dinner and training
 - Office supplies
 - Speakers for PTA meetings
 - Website fees
- **Other Expenses/Fees — \$1,250**
PayPal and Square fees, bank fees

Total Budget: \$37,250