

Minutes—CW Henry PTA
November 19th, 2019

Review/Approval of October Meeting Minutes—approved, no opposition or abstentions

Welcome (Leah Corsover, PTA President)

Principal's Message (Ms. Davis)

- We are still meeting school goals (0 out-of-school suspensions, 81.5% of students attending 95% of time or more (goal is more than 72%).
- Teachers have completed baseline assessments in reading, writing and math. Parent conferences for 1st quarter are this week.
- Girls Volleyball had a phenomenal season—undefeated in regular season, lost in first round of the playoffs.
- Art sale was a success with \$600 made for the art department.
- All City choir has started and will conclude at the Temple Center for Performing Arts on December 11th
- Budget
 - Title 1 Art/Humanities supplies: Ms. Paulino has purchased some musical instruments--\$1800 remaining in that line will be spent by Ms. Johnson.
 - Smart boards were purchased out of operating (books and supplies), leaving only 1 teaching classroom without one and SDP has agreed to purchase that one. \$13,439 remains for the year for books and supplies.
 - \$8,302 left in PT salary which is used for school climate support in the afternoon.
- Extracurricular clubs will be starting in the winter—waiting for PFT to approve.
- Winter Concert is Jan. 16th.
- Question about lateness—late slips will be issued at 8:30 when there is indoor admission. There is no grace period anymore.

Projects and Events (Meghan Medlock)

- Next PTA meeting (Dec. 17th) will be a Holiday family fun night—team of 3 is organizing, rotating stations of games, crafts and karaoke.
- MLK Day, January 20th—plans are in process, will have details at next PTA meeting. Organizers welcome any ideas in planning this event.
- Axe Throwing event/fundraiser will return this year, date will be January or February (TBA)

Fundraising (Natasha Broadwater)

- Miss Chocolate fundraiser wrapped up with approximately \$12,900 in sales
- Urban Air fundraiser had a small turnout but was a lot of fun, we may try it again
- Book Fair could use more volunteers on Friday starting around 2 to pack everything up.
- Year-end appeal letter will go out again this year to all members of the school community—last year this brought in close to \$2000 in donations.
- Jenny Byiers would still like to organize a running fundraiser (was originally planned as a Turkey Trot but may turn into a Reindeer Run or a Bunny Hop)—please contact her if you would like to help with this
- Amazon Smiles—if you select CW Henry PTA as your charity through Amazon Smiles, the PTA can get a percentage of the sale every time you shop on Amazon.com

Membership (Bridget Morak)

- If you are not a member yet, please join. We currently have 90 members—our goal is 100+

Communications (Jenny Byiers, Rachel Sitkin Marks)

- Mariana Mendez will be updating the website soon; stay tuned!

Playground (Kristen Roth)

- Still waiting for benches which are being donated by Phila. Salvage—hopefully will be installed soon

Garden (Meredith Jacoby)

- Fall was a great season in the garden, next will be Winter planning meeting; please ask if you would like to be added to the list for the garden committee so that you get details of meetings and announcements

Special Election

- Bayaina Brown has been acting 2nd Vice-President since August but just met the requirement of 6 months PTA membership so that she can be formally instated into the role, replacing Jess Stanforth who has finished her term.
 - Vote to instate Bayaina Brown as 2nd Vice-President—approved, no opposition
- Current officers (2019-20 school year):
 - **Leah Corsover** – President
 - **Mira Solomon** – Vice President
 - **Bayaina Brown** – 2nd Vice President
 - **Mark Graham** – Treasurer/Finance Chair
 - **Rebecca Smith** – Recording Secretary
 - **Patty Skuster** – Corresponding Secretary

Finance (Mark Graham)

- Income has started to come in from fundraisers—Miss Chocolate, some donations (one from USG for teacher mini-grants.)
- Teacher mini-grants deadline passed and only 2 completed submissions received. We asked teachers to submit them earlier than in previous years which may have affected participation. Because there are still funds to spend, we will likely hold another round later in the year.

Upcoming Dates:

December 17th : Family Fun Night

January 14th: Next PTA Meeting

January 20th: MLK Day of Service

Visit the PTA website www.cwhenrypta.org for information on events, fundraisers, meeting minutes, volunteer opportunities, community news and to **join and donate to the PTA!**

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