

Minutes
General PTA Meeting
Friday, January 11th @ 9:30am
Mantua Elementary School

I. The meeting was called to order by Emily Mosso @ 9:40am.

Executive Board and Membership Attendees: Trina Rasmussen, Emily Mosso, Ali Wills, Terri Radziewski, Martine Collin, Heather Foglio, Tara Carter, Jeanne Chang, Letise LaFeir, Carrie Wendell, Vicky Lisa, Ritika Stauber, Chris Lau.

Administration and School Representatives: Jan-Marie Fernandez, Nick Rousos

II. Adoption of December 7, 2018 Meeting Minutes – approved with 2 corrections

III. Reports

President's Report

Emily Mosso (for Lisa Libby)

1. We had a Restaurant Night on December 11th @ Mama Lucia's. Thank you to everyone who participate and supported us. We have no figures on that just yet.
2. We have changed how we send out our newsletter. The new version is the NewsYouChoose. Everyone should have received 2 newsletters via email recently – the old AlertNews as well as the NewsYouChoose version. Both newsletters will continue to be sent out simultaneously until Jan 29th. Contact Lisa Libby @ president@mantuapta.com if you are not getting the new version.
3. A new fundraiser - Ninja Warrior Night – will be held at Encourage Martial Arts on January 18th from 6:30-8:30pm. The cost is \$15/child. Let them know that you are from Mantua ES when you sign in. 100% of the proceeds will come back to the school.
4. On Thursday, January 24th @ 7pm there will be a free screening of the film *Angst* at Woodson HS (snow day is January 29th). This is for parents. *Angst* is an IndieFlix Original, documentary designed to raise awareness around anxiety.
5. Enrichment registration begins on February 3rd.

Treasurer's Report

Mantua PTA

Profit and Loss Statement
For the 6 Months Ending
December 31, 2018

Additional Commentary

Carry-over expense of (\$1,172.62) for
Yearbooks from prior year

Due to timing, YTD for **Classroom
Language Arts, Fieldtrips and Staff
Development** lagging behind
prior year and budget by \$16,000

	YTD as of 12/31/2018	YTD as of 12/31/2018	YTD Variance	SY2018-19 Budget	Budget Variance
Membership Dues (Net of State and National Dues)					
Membership Dues	3,534.57	3,972.88	(438.31)	3,500.00	34.57
Fundraising Income (Net of Expenses)					
Amazon Click Through Link	284.74	485.84	(201.10)	800.00	(515.26)
Amazon Smile	13.49	37.42	(23.93)	80.00	(66.51)
Box Tops	-	-	-	1,200.00	(1,200.00)
Carnival/Spring Fling	-	250.00	(250.00)	9,500.00	(9,500.00)
Donations	3,739.54	3,142.72	596.82	3,000.00	739.54
eScrip	2.67	2.73	(0.06)	5.00	(2.33)
Fall Fundraiser/Run for Rocky	30,182.03	31,121.03	(939.00)	27,700.00	2,482.03
Giant A+ Rewards	-	-	-	500.00	(500.00)
Harris Teeter-TIE	100.00	229.51	(129.51)	800.00	(700.00)
Ice Cream Social	2,268.80	2,623.98	(355.18)	1,550.00	718.80
Label Daddy	-	4.25	(4.25)	4.00	(4.00)
Movie Night	-	-	-	-	-
Restaurant nights	-	400.00	(400.00)	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Spirit Wear	148.27	-	148.27	1,500.00	(1,351.73)
Sponsorships/Directory	-	1,407.46	(1,407.46)	500.00	(500.00)
Yearbook	(1,172.62)	310.00	(1,482.62)	4,935.00	(6,107.62)
Programs & Events					
Academic Competitions	-	-	-	(500.00)	500.00
Author's Conference	-	-	-	(1,400.00)	1,400.00
Basketball	15,312.12	15,365.54	(53.42)	6,500.00	8,812.12
Book Fair	7,407.03	11,772.86	(4,365.83)	500.00	6,907.03
Chat n' Chew	1,187.95	691.54	496.41	600.00	587.95
Classroom Language Arts	-	(2,000.00)	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	2,000.00
Directory Expense	-	(1,513.81)	1,513.81	(1,000.00)	1,000.00
Drama Club	9,532.90	2,367.79	7,165.11	1,200.00	8,332.90
Enrichment	2,050.00	823.65	1,226.35	825.00	1,225.00
Family Fun Nights	-	-	-	(800.00)	800.00
Field Day	-	-	-	(400.00)	400.00
Field Trips	-	(7,500.00)	7,500.00	(7,500.00)	7,500.00
Garden & Landscaping	(766.52)	(514.04)	(252.48)	(1,500.00)	733.48
Garden & Landscaping Eco Team	(376.00)	(189.98)	(186.02)	(500.00)	124.00
Kids Care Club	214.21	361.12	(146.91)	-	214.21
Mentorworks	-	-	-	(100.00)	100.00
Parent Education	(250.00)	(292.60)	42.60	(500.00)	250.00
Raccoon Runners (Boys & Girls)	1,292.21	1,163.98	128.23	1,000.00	292.21
Reflections Expense	-	(344.38)	344.38	(350.00)	350.00
School Patrols Expense	-	(200.00)	200.00	(200.00)	200.00
School Spirit Displays	-	(62.85)	62.85	(200.00)	200.00
Sixth Grade Party/T-shirts	(150.00)	-	(150.00)	500.00	(650.00)
Spring Break Art Camp	-	-	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Take Home Reading	(413.27)	(455.00)	41.73	(500.00)	86.73
Talent Show	-	-	-	400.00	(400.00)
Learning Resources					
Dreambox Site License	-	-	-	(6,200.00)	6,200.00
Electronics	-	-	-	(1,500.00)	1,500.00
Mantua ES Wish Fund	-	(799.59)	799.59	(9,500.00)	9,500.00
Music Expenses	-	-	-	(300.00)	300.00
Principal's Fund Expense	-	(500.00)	500.00	(500.00)	500.00
Principal's Wish List	(600.00)	-	(600.00)	(16,164.00)	15,564.00
Staff Development Expense	-	(6,500.00)	6,500.00	(6,500.00)	6,500.00
Teacher's Fund Expense	(8,150.00)	(7,345.00)	(805.00)	(7,600.00)	(550.00)
Hospitality & Appreciation					
Cafeteria Appreciation	(300.00)	(250.00)	(50.00)	(250.00)	(50.00)
Custodian Appreciation	(624.74)	(415.81)	(208.93)	(450.00)	(174.74)
Meetings & Misc Hospitality	(418.75)	(36.04)	(382.71)	(50.00)	(368.75)
Office Staff Appreciation	-	-	-	(400.00)	400.00
Staff Recognition	-	-	-	(75.00)	75.00
Teacher Appreciation	-	-	-	(400.00)	400.00
Volunteer Appreciation	(60.00)	-	(60.00)	(50.00)	(10.00)
Miscellaneous Income					
Interest Income	18.75	16.44	2.31	40.00	(21.25)
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses					
Bank charges	-	(40.00)	40.00	(60.00)	60.00
Filing Fees	-	-	-	(40.00)	40.00
Insurance	-	-	-	(400.00)	400.00
Supplies	(55.96)	(619.35)	563.39	(650.00)	594.04
Uncategorized Expense	-	(277.44)	277.44	(300.00)	300.00
Website Expense	(180.00)	(301.33)	121.33	(300.00)	120.00
Grand Total	63,771.42	46,393.52	17,377.90	-	63,771.42

Welcome and Happy New Year!

Recent Events:

- The 6th grade classes visited the National Museum of American Indians.
- Some 2nd & 3rd grade students participated in Enrichment with Woodson HS students.
- The 5th grade students participated in the novel-writing program Nanowrimo and presented their work on the 19th.
- On December 21st, we had two Winter Sing-A-Longs. Historically, we have had the whole school in the gym for this event but, given that we now have almost 1,100 students, this was no longer feasible. The Music Department figured out how to do 2 Winter Sing-A-Longs. Our new and fabulous Mantua Staff Band participated as well. The Administration considered the event a success. Feedback from kids and staff was very positive as well.

Testing:

Universal Screener: Required for all K-2nd graders to take 3 times throughout the year. We are in the Winter testing period. Of 3rd-6th graders, the only students to take this test in the Winter are those students who fell in the 49th percentile or below in the Fall. This testing needs to be finished by the end of January.

IOWA: Given to 6th grade students who are enrolled in 7th grade math. Dates are January 14-17. This is an Algebra test. The result from the IOWA along with the 7th grade math SOL score will determine if a student takes Algebra 1 in 7th grade.

WIDA: This is ESL testing for any of students who are in ESL services or who have a second language at home who have not yet met national requirements. Dates are January 22nd-March 14th. ESL teachers do the majority of the testing and school counsellors assist.

President's Report (cont'd)

Nick Rousos

- We are getting a new playground (Mr. Rousos showed pictures of the playground). They are going to remove the existing playground and replace it with a new playground that will be approximately 10 sq. ft. larger. It will take approximately 3 weeks to install the new playground. They will let us know when they are coming. We do not know the timing but most likely in the Spring. Summer is not an option.
- Dr. Braband has uploaded the FY 2020 FCPS Proposed Budget: <https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcpsbudget/budget-documents>. We are very hopeful that the budget as proposed will be the budget as funded. Unlike previous Superintendents, Dr. Braband has work very hard with the Fairfax County Council. The State only funds approximately 20-25% of our budget whereas other Northern Virginia districts get 45-55% of their budget funded.
- The 2019-20 FCPS Calendar is now online. There are no more 3-hours early releases. No time assigned for Professional Development. Not ideal.
- There will be a Lockdown Drill some time this month.

- Regarding the government shutdown, government workers who are furloughed can contact FCPS to be considered for substitution work and no child will be refused food until government is back up and running.

Upcoming Events:

1/15	Parent Information Session for Luther Jackson MS
1/17	Rising 7 th grade Orientation, Frost MS, 5:30-8pm
1/18	3-HRS EARLY RELEASE
1/18	PTA Event: Ninja Warrior Night, Incurage Martial Arts, 6:30pm
1/21	SCHOOL CLOSED: Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
1/17	Rising 7 th grade Orientation, Luther Jackson MS
1/25	SCHOOL CLOSED: Student Holiday
1/29	PTA Event: Restaurant Night, Flippin Pizza, 4-8pm
1/29	PTA Event: Parent Education Session, Dr. Synchula, Library, 7pm
2/4	SCHOOL CLOSED: Student Holiday
2/5-16	ENRICHMENT registration
2/7	PTA Monthly Meeting, Library, 7pm

1st Vice President for Programs

Ali Wills

- The next Enrichment Courses are listed online. Please check them out and register online February 3rd -12th.
- The next Restaurant Night will be at Flippin Pizza on January 29th.
- The next Parent Education Night will be on January 29th as well. Dr. Synchula will be coming to speak. We will have Rachel Bailey back in March.
- The Valentine's Day Dance will be held on February 8th.

2nd Vice President for Fundraising/Membership

Emily Mosso

- The Spring Fling will be held April 27th from 11 am – 3 pm. There is a lot of planning to be done. Emily is open to any and all new ideas. Please feel free to reach out to her with ideas &/or to volunteer. Emily can be reached at fundraising@mantuapta.org.

VII. Adjournment @ 10:14am.