

**Minutes**  
**October Virtual PTA Meeting**  
**Schoology Zoom October 7th 2021 at 7:00pm**

**Call Meeting to order Kristina Clarke at 7:02**

Meeting notes from September approved

**I. President's Report: Kristina Clarke**

Scarecrow scavenger hunt, can register through the link. 10/22-10-24

PTA was able to purchase picnic tables for tent outside. 8 tables purchased by PTA.  
This week thanking custodial staff. They will have lunch on PTA Friday 10/8.

Wish fund is opening soon. Internal grant program. Anyone can put in a grant request - \$10,000 for a grant – any ideas can come to PTA. Amy Sheridan heads up the Wish Fund, will be in touch with more information.

**II. Treasurer's Report: Sophany Setliff**

We raised \$3300 from ice cream social.

\$4900 in dues collected so far.

Any questions, please contact Sophany.

Run for Rocky coming up, biggest fundraiser, need volunteers.

**III. Principal's Report: Linda Shannon**

*On behalf of Amy and Rich* : VGA reading and math assessment is ongoing. More IReady 1-6<sup>th</sup> 1-3 10/29 window closes 4-6 11/12 closes.....results will go home.

VA kindergarten readiness program: early math, PALS window closes early November, scores shared with parents. SEL testing 10/12 2-6<sup>th</sup> grade – 18 questions long.

COGAT 10/12-24 2<sup>nd</sup> grade window, 10/12-29 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will also take since they didn't take last year. Used as a part of screening for AAP

10/11 indigenous people day

10/15 Run for Rocky Kick off

10/28 Run For rocky

**IV. Assistant Principal's Report: Nick Rousos**

To expand environment for kids to enjoy lunch outside, working on schedule rotation, 6 ft apart, no contact tracing needed, 2 classes outside at rotation.

Working on hiring monitors and walking sidewalk tomorrow to mark spaces where kids will sit on the sidewalks outside the front of the school.

Kids can buy or bring their lunch. We will close the bus loop with cones and several monitors will be outdoor lunch hostesses. Kids can be socially distanced manner outside without masks.

**V. VP of Programs: Jenn Ros**

Raccoon Runners filled up in 10 minutes. Jenn McRobbie needs someone to shadow b/c her last year.

KCC- changed format and split into two groups. First group met this week.

Chat n Chew – due to Covid, program needed to change, watch your email from Jen G. Meetings will be before or after school, those registered will have choice between rolling with it, or getting a refund.

Drama was a success with new format. Over 30 kids in fall workshops

Basketball registration open until 10/18 – amazing opportunity for kids to improve skills and have fun with classmates.

Miki Welck has posted all the information for this year's Reflections competition. Deadline is 10/23.

Enrichment registration will begin soon. Keep an eye on the newsletter. Chess is back, along with before and after school options.

Still need volunteer for Academic Coordinator – a few parents have stepped in to run some individual competitions.

Book Fair is coming. No thanksgiving luncheon this year, working on alternatives. Saturday 11/13 with food trucks and encourage families to come out picnic, play on field and playground. Open evening 11/16-11/17 volunteers needed!

**VI. VP of Fundraising and Membership: Gretchen West**

Membership: 259 goal 300

10/19 Restaurant night 5-8 Ballston Local, owned by 2 Mantua families and 20% goes to PTA.

Run for Rocky: goal is \$40,000

We need funds to pay for a lot of the programs we offer our kids.

Last year virtual, this year somewhat back to normal. Run will be 10/28.

10/15 fundraising opens: watch out for information on facebook and newsletter.

3 weeks of fundraising with a goal of \$40,000.

Still looking for sponsors, and hoping to get sponsors to pay for the prizes this year.

Will have t-shirts and water bottles this year. More information coming about spirit week. There will also be the Spirit Parade following the run.

**Meeting adjourns: 7:34**