



Longfellow Middle School PTA
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 16th, 2019



Call to Order and Welcome

- President Jennifer Von Elm called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.
- President Von Elm announced the date of the next meeting - Veterans Day, November 11th at 9:00 am

Votes

- To approve the September Meeting Minutes:
 - MOTION: by Kate Carey and SECOND by Yamina Boukarabila
 - VOTE: carried by hand vote
 - RESOLVED: The September Meeting minutes were approved without modification
- To approve the modification to the Budget for 2019-2020 to transfer money from the teacher training line item to the teacher stipends
 - MOTION Kate Carey and SECOND by Yamina Boukarabila
 - VOTE: Carried by hand vote
 - RESOLVED: The modification to the budget for 2019-2020 is approved

VP Fundraising

- VP of Fundraising, Shelly Breslin, reported that the PTA is at 70% of their goal for the year.
- PTA membership is required for access to the directory. Without membership, individuals will lose access by November.
- Additional fundraising activities that are coming up include a Spirit Wear pop-up and 3 more dates for yogurt sales.

Treasurer Reports

- Treasurer, Neetha Rao provided an update on the budget. As of September 30th, the PTA had raised almost \$37,000 for support excellence, and \$12,000 in membership dues. More memberships are being added.
- President Von Elm added that \$17,000 had just been paid out in teacher stipends.
- Principal Kihm explained that the stipend money goes to teacher classroom supplies and leadership curriculum materials. In particular, the leadership training requires supplemental materials which the stipend money goes to reimburse teachers to purchase.

Program Reports

VP of Programming, Mel Tillotson, reported on hospitality events:

- There is an upcoming teacher workday luncheon on November 4th
- Reflections contest deadline for submissions Friday, October 18th

- Lancer At The Movies will occur on Tuesday, November 5th-Addams Family, Tysons AMC @ 11:30 a.m. There will be no previews, so come early. The theater will be solely open to LMS students and their siblings and parents.

President Von Elm introduced a new event that will be starting this year, Longfellow LOVE Jam-A-Thon. The event is to raise money for families in our community who do not have enough to eat. There will be a food drive, and a teacher dance-off. It is planned for Friday, November 22nd, and more details to follow.

There was a motion to end the meeting by Kate Carey, seconded by Jayant Reddy. The motion carried by hand vote. Jennifer Von Elm adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.