

Mosby Woods Elementary PTA

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 23rd, 2019

Welcome and Call to Order: Meeting started promptly at 6:30. Those present introduced themselves to the group.

Presidents Notes: The PTA and the Mosby Woods community need your help. There are open board and committee positions available for parents to get involved in what happens at Mosby Woods. Help us plan, and execute great activities for the students and staff. Please email the PTA presidents with any interest or questions. president@mosbywoodspta.org

- Co-President, Jessica is relocating. Please consider helping co-lead the PTA, or filling one of the other volunteer needs for next year.
- Board positions and chair heads open for next year:
 1. Vice President
 2. Vice President of Fundraising
 3. Vice President of Membership and Dues
 4. Secretary
 5. Co-Treasurers

Principal's Notes: Dr. Aste was very pleased to have several very positive updates regarding our school.

- “Purple Up Day”: During Spirit Week, the school had “Purple Up Day” to honor our Mosby military families. The US Coastguard landed a helicopter in our field, and the student got to meet the pilot and learn about the helicopter. When it was time for take-off, the whole school gathered in the parking lot to see the helicopter fly off. It was an exciting opportunity for our students.
- Basketball Court: The new basketball court will be completed by the end of this week. It is environmentally-friendly black top, with special drainage. This project was paid for by Fairfax County, and cost \$160,000. Dr. Aste expressed her gratitude to the county, and she was looking forward to seeing the students enjoy the new basketball court.
- Project-based Learning Presentations: All grades will be having their having their Project-Based Learning (PBL) presentations coming up. All the student have been working very hard on preparing their presentations.

Treasury Report: We've done well making up our deficient from the Direct Donation Campaign with our other fundraisers, and we are anticipating being able to make our \$12,000 donation to Mosby Woods Elementary at the end of the school year. Here are the earnings from our recent fundraisers:

- Spring Fling: \$2397.78
- Sprit Wear Online Store: \$400.00
- Chuck E. Cheese: \$99.00
- Spring Book Fair: \$9,000.00

Committee Updates: Mosby Woods Afterschool Enrichment Program is in jeopardy. A volunteer is needed to act as a liaison to the front office, and our enrichment vendors. A parent volunteer is also required to be present during enrichment sessions. We are strongly considering hiring a management company to assist with the program, but the program cannot run without the above-mentioned PTA volunteers.

Regulations to be implemented going forward:

- The PTA must comply with FCPS regulations around publicly owned school spaces. Compliance is overseen by FCPS community use department.
- Ultimate responsibility for the children enrolled in the After School Program will be on the PTA and not the vendors.
- FCCPTA and local PTAs are collaborating on how to comply with outlined regulations:
 1. On site PTA volunteer present, training is being developed
 2. Mandatory background checks and badges for all vendors or persons working through FCPS. Requires in person application at Gatehouse and a 1 week turnaround for badge.
 3. Each PTA program will be entered into FCPS scheduling system individually
 4. ADM-24 forms will be updated, June 1st PTA training

Issues Specific to Mosby Woods After School Program:

- 5 of our current classes are over the \$15.00 an hour rule
- Late parent pick up
- Vendors are inconsistent with sign in and out
- No onsite manager available for parent contact
- Cost of classes
- Substitutes in classes- coordinators not notified

Upcoming Events:

- Aprils 25th Restaurant Night: Squisito's
- Bus Driver Appreciation week the week of April 29th
- May 6-10 Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week. Signup to help support our great teachers! Go to the mosbywoodspta.org site to click on the sign-up link.
- May 8th Bike to School Day
- May: Incoming Kindergarten Playground Playdate
- May 22nd Restaurant Night: IHOP

New Business:

- PTA members will attend upcoming parent events in an effort to get more parents on the PTA email list. Look for an information table at the upcoming Open House and Back to School Night.
- Sign up for the PTA email blasts to stay connected and lend a helping hand! Go to mosbywoodspta.org and follow the link to sign up.
- The last meeting of the year will have a guest speaker on Children and Emotions.

Meeting adjourned: 7:35

**Next PTA meeting is Tuesday May 21st at 6:30 in the
Mosby Woods Library**