***PTA meeting minutes***

***Spring Glen Elementary***

***General Membership Meeting***

***Wednesday January 19, 2022***

***7 pm***

**Zoom Link for Meeting:**

<https://deloitte.zoom.us/j/97773748351?pwd=NEV5RzU1eTdSQm5ua0ttSmFYYU9vUT09>

Board members present: Courtney Connors, Jonathan Farrar, Misha Serfillippi, Cara McDonough

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

**Agenda:**

* **Welcome – Courtney Connors**
* *Thank you to the school staff and teachers for pushing through an extremely difficult time with the pandemic entering a more intense phase. Encouraged parents to submit questions to the PTA.*
* **Call for a motion to accept minutes & correspondence - Cara McDonough**
* *Jonathan Farrar, Misha seconded, passed unanimously*
* **Correspondence**
* **Principal’s report – Howard Hornreich:**
* *Major absences among staff and students due to COVID. Nurse and principal are in constant contact.*
* *Parents have asked for classroom data about COVID-19 cases, but that cannot be passed out. There is a Safety & Wellness Committee that handles all of the COVID-19 protocols for the district.*
* *Black History Month is coming up and teachers are planning their lessons in collaboration with social studies across the district.*
* *Question about whether or not students still quarantine if they are exposed to someone outside of school.*
* **Health & welfare**
* **Treasurer's report – Jon Farrar**
* *PTA is still in a net positive situation from a profit standpoint for the afterschool programming and will look for ways to support the next round of afterschool programs. We’d like to encourage the teachers to not be afraid to ask for support if they need any, and if they have ideas for programming through assemblies or otherwise that the PTA could support to not be shy in proposing them to the PTA.*
* **Reports of standing committees:**
* **Membership - Misha Serfillippi**
* **Fundraising – Tori Untiet:** *Would love to have an in-person 5K this year; Courtney can run point on fundraising; could we pull together a spring fling fundraiser that builds community and gets people together*
* **Diversity & Inclusion - Sofia Fertuzinhos & Kenechia Clarke:** *The committee had its first class of Bollywood Boogie as an afterschool program. They’re exploring another afterschool program for Capoeira. The committee plans to reach out to the principal to discuss how they can get involved in Black History Month.*
* **Outdoor Committee - Steve Curtis & Elizabeth Williams –** *The committee is in the midst of planning a webinar about the use of technology and laptops in and out of school. The hope is to get a subcommittee formed to formalize the agenda and recruit experts to speak.*
* **Communications - Cara McDonough and Steve Curtis:** *parents interested in creating a school directory; new PTA website is coming*
* **6th Grade – Tim Trama**
* **Old business**
* *The PTA had planned to support a community event to attend a Quinnipiac basketball game, but with the spike in COVID cases, the decision was made to postpone.*
* *Since we can’t do a Someone Special Dance, there was talk of a fundraiser of sending a flower to a friend. The Fundraising Committee will look into making this happen*
* **New Business**
* **Good of the order**
* **Announcement of next meeting – Wednesday, February 16, 2022**
* **Request Motion to adjourn –** *Jonathan Farrar; Cara McDonough seconded*

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm

*Respectfully submitted 2.15.21 by Cara McDonough, PTA Secretary*