PTA Minutes
Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 6:00-7:30

Greeting - 1-2 minutes
Treasurer’s Report - Katy Bittner (Treasurer) 1-2 minutes

The purpose of the Benjamin E Mays PTA is to provide a forum where parents, teachers, administrators, and community members can come together to discuss ways to promote quality education, encourage community involvement, and work for a healthy school environment.

Mission:  Mays PTA is committed to representing and serving the members of our multicultural community, welcoming and helping parents, teachers and administrators give our very best for all of our students. Together we are a powerful voice for children.

Standing Committees  Fall Festival, Recruitment - all PTA currently, Fundraising, Events - Culture Event, Chair Ankhet Hesi-Ra

PTA business -
  ● Updates to bylaws will be made in an officer’s meeting - MN PTA considering standard set of bylaws for all PTA groups
  ● Dues
    ○ $10 Membership
      ■ Members may - vote, hold office
    ○ PTA Scholarships $6.25, 10 memberships

Updates
  ● Budget review/feedback - Kirk Morris
    ○ Projected shortfall for 208-2019 17.2 million SPPS
    ○ Budget starts with projection of enrollment
      ■ General
      ■ MLL
      ■ Compensatory
      ■ Title I
    ○ Base staff - Principal, clerk, teachers, prep - covered by budget
    ○ Enrollment projected at 433 (do not count PreK or ECSE)
    ○ 3,348,749 (26.8 FTE)
      ■ At least 3 years we have cut 10%
      ■ Options
        ● Reduce by 7 TAs
        ● Reduce by 1 behavior
        ● Reduce by 1 teacher
        ● Losing assistant principal
      ■ Need a Restorative Practice Coach
      ■ Need TA to support Behavior
      ■ Need a .5 Academic Support Teacher
      ■ 1 TA from SpEd will be cut
    ○ Title I Budget
      ■ Parent Liaison
      ■ ¼ IB Coordinator
- .5 Academic Support Teacher
- Restorative Practice Coach

Questions
- What is Restorative Practice
  - Community based
  - Looking at deeper effects of behavior
- What does the Title I budget pay for (added above)
- What about resources to students? How will they be effected?
- What does losing the AP position mean?

PTA nominations
- Elections to be held Tuesday, May 15 at the general PTA meeting, 6:00-7:30
  - Jolene Mason - President
  - Karen Shanahan - Treasurer
  - Mora Slifka - Secretary/Vice President
  - Hafsa Ahmed - Secretary/Vice President
  - Tayler Johnson - Secretary/Vice President
  - Lindsey Walker - Secretary/Vice President
  - Margaret Carlson - Secretary/Vice President

Events/Projects
- PowerUp- Jolene Mason Chair
  - Concluded March 12-29
- Culture Night - May 10, 2018
  - Meeting Friday, April 20, 8:30-9:30 room 2012
- Mays Moves, Thursday, June 7, 5:30-7:00
- Reading Corps, RAH (Read at Home) event, Thursday, May 24, 6:00-7:00
  - Approved for $120
  - Continue Donor Chooses for uniform
- 5th Grade Exhibition, Thursday, May 31, 5:30-7:30

The following General PTA Meeting dates are approved:
- Tuesday, September 19, 6:00-7:30
- Tuesday, December 5, 6:00-7:30
- Tuesday, January 9, 6:00-7:30
- Tuesday, April 17, 6:00-7:30
- Tuesday, May 8, 6:00-7:30
- Tuesday, May 15, 6:00-7:30

Next PTA Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 6:00-7:30. Everyone is welcome to attend.