**Fulton Elementary School PTA Meeting Minutes**

**September 15, 2020**

**6:30PM**

* Welcome and introduction of new Board
  + The PTA welcomes new & returning members for the 2020-2021 school year. PTA needs at least 250 parents/families to join in order to meet our budget goals for the school year. This year, members can join online through the [Member Hub](https://fulton.new.memberhub.store/store). Members pay annual dues. Members can join at anytime during the school year.
* Voting
  + Proposed changes to bylaws were approved. The PTA is adding a third Vice President to serve in the role of assisting the Treasurer.
  + Proposed budget was approved.
    - We will not have Fall Fest this year.
    - International Night and Falcon Follies will be virtual this year.
    - Planned expenses include funding for teacher/staff reimbursements for classroom purchases, a teacher luncheon, staff appreciation week, and special enrichment events/activities that the PTA may plan for students this year.
    - The approved budget includes $12,785 in expenses over projected income. The PTA has some carryover available from prior years. The PTA will not necessarily spend the total amount approved for each category.
  + Proposed reimbursement of expenses incurred from prior budget was approved.
  + Modification of President’s term for a 2021 election in order to align the terms of all of the Executive Committee members was approved.
* PTA meeting dates for 2020-2021 school year (all meetings unless otherwise notednwill be virtual at 7PM):
  + 10/13/20
  + 11/10/20
  + 12/8/20 (possible)
  + 1/12/21
  + 2/9/21
  + 3/9/21
  + 4/13/21
  + 5/4/21 (must be in person for voting- date tentative)
* Upcoming events & fundraisers—please consider supporting the PTA through your participation in the fundraisers that are already on the calendar for this year:
  + 9/19/20- Pure Barre Class (sign up via Member Hub)
  + 9/22/20- Back to School Night – Pre-K to 4th grade
  + 9/24/20- Back to School Night- 5th grade and GT
  + 10/620- Chipotle Spirit Night
  + 10/9/20- Mike’s Gelato Spirit Night
  + 10/24/20- Kidz Art Online Class
  + 10/25/20- Virtual 5K Pumpkin Run Fundraiser
  + Please contact Greta Luhar ([vp2@fespta.org](mailto:vp2@fespta.org)) with any other ideas or suggestions for fundraising!
* Room parents- Fulton is looking for room parent volunteers for each class. This year, room parents are being asked to join the PTA and attend PTA meetings, in order to help pass along information and advocate for the PTA with other parents who may not have joined yet.
* Vacant committee chairs
  + The Fulton PTA needs two volunteer representatives this year for the PTA Council of Howard County (PTACHC). Representatives attend monthly PTACHC meetings, board of education meetings, and local PTA meetings, and relay important information to PTA members. Reps can alternate meetings and PTA President or principal may serve as substitute if reps are unable to attend.
  + Committee chairs needed- please contact Donna Cruz if interested ([president@fespta.org](mailto:president@fespta.org))
    - All Pro Dads
    - Bus Driver/crossing guard appreciation
    - Fall Festival (planning for next year to happen in summer 2021)
    - Fundraising
    - Falcone Follies (May/June- virtual for 2021)
    - International Night (~March- virtual for 2021)