

# MINUTES

## **Ronald McNair PTA General Membership Meeting Tuesday, November 3, 2009**

### **Call to Order/Welcome**

- The meeting was called to order by Charlotte Kibak at 6:45 P.M.
- Results of Math Survey were discussed.

### **Approval of Minutes**

- June 2009 Minutes were not available for approval.
- October 2009 Minutes were read and approved.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> VP, Membership Report – Regina McCutcheon**

- Membership is still down from this time last year. We currently have 232 members, with 5 new members since October.
- In an effort to increase membership, letters will be sent to past members who have not renewed this year's current PTA membership.
- Original Art Work – 141 magnets purchased, 186 returned, 65 additional orders, 400 outstanding magnets. Orders are down a little from last year.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Volunteers – Charlotte Kibak reported for Amy Hannum**

- Upcoming Events:
  - Spaghetti Dinner – November 13, 2009: 2 seatings 5:45PM and 7:15PM. Will take place at Ronald McNair instead of Kingsview Middle School.
  - Make a Gift Night – December 4, 2009: gifts will be available for purchase in the \$3-\$5 dollar range.
  - Bingo Night – January 29, 2010 Phi Phung Tran to head volunteer efforts.

#### **Treasurer's Report – Bill Snyder**

- See attached report from Treasurer.

#### **Fundraising Chair Report – Jordon Schneider**

- Lavender's fundraising is complete. Online sales are not accounted for; items will ship out by the end of the week.
- Restaurant Night
  - Chick-Fil-A Night (November 5 and December 3)

#### **MC PTA Delegate Report**

- 2 volunteers to attend as Ronald McNair delegates.

### **NW Cluster Representative Update – Deepa Talreja**

- School safety reports are available online.
  - One finding is children feel less safe than parents think they feel.
- Reviewed Capital Improvement Plan: Budget and Operational.
- Recommendation from boundary studies was discussed.
- There will be fewer votes at delegate meeting with each clusters getting 1 vote.
- Next cluster meeting is November 29, 2009.

### **NAACP Representative Update – Julia Scott**

- NAACP had a fabulous and exciting kick off event. Over 400 hundred principles and NAACP members attended kickoff at Richard Montgomery.
- Awards given to those who “stepped up” and best practices were reviewed.
- Increasing minority participation in Magnate School Program
  - Getting information out to parents.
  - New ways to touch people, for example automatic phone calls.
  - Need more parental involvement.
  - Selection process overview.

### **Principal’s Remarks – Eileen Macfarlane**

- Math Nights: With the success of Kindergarten and First Grade Math Nights Ronald McNair is trying new things with other grades; some grades are meeting in the morning and afternoon.
- Town Hall Meeting support goal 3 of school improvement plan.
- Towson Student-Teachers are receiving wonderful professional development training.

### **McNair Staff Liaison – Kelly Herzing**

- Auction plans are in the works.
- Can the PTA help support learning activities?

### **Other Business**

- Check on replacing state of Maryland and US flags.
- Some lights need replacing.
- Screen ripped – work order in place.

### **Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, January 05, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alicia R. Sowah, Recording Secretary