



## Sabin PTA Minutes, April 21, 2021, 6:00pm - 7:00 pm

### *Zoom Meeting*

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### **I. Welcome and introductions to PTA**

### **II. Welcoming Principal Louis Mair from Harriet Tubman Middle School, updates and info about Tubman:**

Introduced himself and shared a slide show. As new principal, from Atlanta, he shared his background and years in education. Slide show:

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Stay tuned for rising 6th grade visits to the school and an informational nights.

### **III. School updates from Ms. Williams**

Ms. Williams began by offering full support for Harriet Tubman.

300 kids in-person learning, with all teachers, except only a few, opted in to teach.

Wednesdays brings the 50 DL back with their teacher to keep continuity.

Learning Pod update, meeting at two churches, the are doing their asynchronous learning to carry on with support, building relationships, collaborating on learning, and attendance is up as a

Staff update: Mr. Diltz math support instruction full time. A media specialist will take over for Mr. Diltz, 30 years experience both teaching and media specialist.

Academic Support funds are used for literacy interventions--K-4 reading results allow for the tutor to progress. Funds allow literacy and math support for students, or extensions for those exceeding expectations. That's the plan to use funds next year.

Summer Hubs--we'll find more information out about who will qualify.

This is our last meeting before Teacher and Support staff week, and Ms. Williams acknowledged the flexibility and dedication of the teachers, who have been excited to see students. They are working hard to maintain



#### **IV. Discussion and Q&A (10)**

##### **How are things going in-person?**

Teachers are thrilled to be back in person, to be back doing what they trained and signed up. Mostly happy.

A parent acknowledged that for the sub taking on the DL Kindergartners is doing a great job.

**Impression about MAPS results?** Will teaching need to adjust? The standardized testing will not happen at the end of the year. We will have to play catch-up/remediation. However, there will be no retention. It is variable and it is hard to predict what will happen in the fall.

##### **Will the library continue its transformation?**

Yes, things are changing, new carpet, creating new stacks, maker space will move there, too. beautification efforts.

Curtains have been updated. New water fountain. New carpeting in various classroom. New lighting. New fire alarm system.

#### **V. Business and announcements (15)**

- 2021-2022 PTA Board nominations process, positions needed  
Four positions needed: Secretary, Room Parent Coordinator, Equity Co-Chair  
Kris Travis nominated Eliz Roser, interested in the Secretary role. Next meeting we'll vote on the nominations; term starts in June.
- Teacher appreciation week May 3-7 ; PTA Board is working with Celeste to do something for teachers that week. May 1st is also school administrator day.
- Sabin Foundation updates: The plan is to raise \$45,000. A smaller ask, and it's being communicated to various neighborhood groups.
- Mrs. Lathan emailed something about "a bid-off" target to raise a \$1000 for student leadership, it's to cover the cost for families to purchase the yearbooks. If there is an overage, it could be applied to next year.
- School pictures/Yearbooks - plans, support needed, and fundraising: need headshots for each students!
- Science Fair cancelled this year.
- Securely (parent content monitoring app): Has anyone else downloaded securely, it's out there, and its a way to track what kids are searching on Chromebook. It's a tool that PPS pays for, and parents have access. Parents are automatically sent digests.
- PTA and parent communications - Slack, Instagram, Facebook, website (see helpful links at bottom of agenda)
- Reminder of PTA membership (form or online)
- Next Meeting, Wednesday May 19th at 6:30pm



## VI. Closing notes and meeting adjournment

**Mission of Sabin PTA:** *Our mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. The Sabin PTA welcomes anyone who wants to be involved and make a difference in the education, health, and welfare of our children. We serve as a supportive resource for ideas and initiatives that align with our mission and values; we strive to provide Sabin community members with information, funding, volunteer resources, logistical support and communication tools to implement their ideas. We also work to keep our community members informed, involved and invested in school activities and other efforts to advocate for our children.*

### Chat:

Will Layng, he/him to Everyone : Hi everyone, we'll get started soon, our agenda is here:  
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18:03:58 From Kris Travis to Everyone : Hello! Kris Travis, Co-VP of Communication & Events, and mom to Elodie (2nd) and Ada (Kinder)

18:04:13 From Amanda Elliston to Everyone : Hi! I'm Amanda Elliston, Philip, 5th Grade.

18:04:39 From Eliz Roser (she/her) to Everyone : Hi everyone! I'm Eliz Roser, parent to Ada who will be in Kindergarten in the fall.

18:04:41 From Brian Allen to Everyone : Brian Allen. Dad to Aamir(Kindergarten)

18:04:42 From Will Layng, he/him to Everyone : Hi everyone, we'll get started soon, our agenda is here:

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18:05:02 From Sarah Bunton to Everyone : Hi everyone. Sarah here, Spencer, 4th grader.

18:05:07 From Kate Robinson to Everyone : Hi I'm Kate Robinson, my son is Ellis who is a first grader in Mrs. Mease's class

18:05:16 From Sarah B (she/her/hers) to Everyone : Hello, I'm Sarah Bokich co-chair for fundraising and mom of Bellamy, who's in kindergarten

18:06:02 From Dara Massoni to Everyone : Hi! I'm Dara Massoni, with sons Rowan (4th grade) and Kai (kindergarten).

18:06:38 From Will Layng, he/him to Everyone : Yay Atlanta!

18:20:56 From Sarah B (she/her/hers) to Everyone : My daughter is in kindergarten and I'm already excited for her to go to middle school



18:21:09 From Proud Principal Mair to Everyone :

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18:21:17 From Sarah B (she/her/hers) to Everyone : Thank you!

18:38:03 From Sarah Bunton to Everyone : Thank you Ms. Williams for the updates!

18:38:11 From Sarah B (she/her/hers) to Everyone : Thank you!

18:41:31 From Will Layng, he/him to Everyone : I see your hand Sarah Bunton

18:42:34 From Kate Robinson to Everyone : Thank you!

18:44:20 From Sarah Bunton to Everyone : room coordinator

18:45:12 From Sarah Bunton to Everyone : Awesome! Welcome Eliz!

18:45:32 From Sarah B (she/her/hers) to Everyone : Welcome Eliz!

18:45:36 From Eliz Roser (she/her) to Everyone : Thanks everyone! I'm excited to get involved!

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