

**Minutes of the Tuesday, September 11, 2018
Gunston Middle School PTA Meeting**

Attendees:

Dr. Lori Wiggins, Principal; Beth Hicks, PTA President; Luann Wonders, Treasurer; Amanda Woodhead, Secretary; Audrey Gowda, VP Communications; Norm Odeneal, VP Fundraising; Dana Dougherty, VP Programs, and 35 parent attendees.

1. Beth Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.
2. Introduction of PTA Officers
3. Financial Update
 - a. In 2017, The PTA posted a net loss. However, we do have a bank balance of ~\$12,000 and will aim to fundraise to maintain a full year balance for the coming year.
 - b. We would also like to secure sponsors and welcome Gunston families that are business owners or have connections to please assist the PTA in securing sponsorships. Please direct any leads to Beth Hicks.
4. Principal's Report
 - a. HVAC update – Phase II of the HVAC replacement was completed this summer. If a classroom exceeds 88 degrees or is colder than 60 degrees for an hour or more then other arrangements for that class are made such as portable AC units or relocatable classrooms. Phase III will be completed next summer.
 - b. We have 1050 students this year. Very excited for a wonderful school year this year!
 - c. Back to School night will be September 20, 2018.
5. Sports and Club Report/Late Bus – Luis Matos
 - a. Staff will always make sure all children are supervised at all times.
 - b. Late buses began on September 10th. Mr. Matos explained the late bus process/procedure and numbers. Please make sure your child knows their **bus stop** that is how staff identifies which bus the child should ride home.
 - c. Mr. Matos reviewed the sports tryouts for each grade. Please refer to the Gunston activities School Talk email for specifics on each sport and the tryout dates by grade.
6. President's Remarks
 - a. Goals for PTA this year: Communication, Fundraising, Committees
 - b. Open discussion: include the PayPal link on PTA site, involve Spanish speaking community (which is included on the Facebook PTA site), parents expressed interest in Book Fair/Read-a-thon, interest in a check writing/no sweat fundraising campaign (Beth will discuss further)
7. PTA Reflections Program
 - a. Deadline for entries is October 26, 2018
8. Next meeting will be October 9, 2018. Topic will be Drug Awareness. If anyone has ideas for speakers, please send to Amanda Woodhead or Dana Dougherty.
9. Post PTA Meeting Social – Delia's
10. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.