
WELCOME!

Montgomery Virtual Academy
Parent Teacher Council
February 3, 2022

Pre-Meeting Issues

*Please state your name before speaking each time. Our, PTO secretary, Mattie, is visually impaired and cannot see your name on the screen.

*We cannot make a copy of the chat. If you are offering to volunteer or help, please email Jessica at parentcouncil@cpjsweb.com

*Complete list of links (also listed at the end of the presentation):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Y5OBZWj-EP6MkMz3KXDZ2of8W4mR0n1-b5jZ4SF08hk/edit?usp=sharing>

Agenda

- Call to Order
- Welcome - Jessica Sherman, President
- Approve minutes of Membership Meeting January 6, 2022
- MVA Deans' Report
- Reports from Officers
- Reports from Committees
- New Business
- Announcements
- Adjourn
- Informal Discussion

Approve Minutes

- Approve minutes of Membership Meeting January 6, 2022

Questions from Members for the Deans

- ESOL Students - Can testing be done virtually? One family is being pressured to bring their student in person and they are not comfortable yet.
- Is it possible to have emails/zoom meetings for VA and PTC in other languages? (for the PTC we are happy to do it if someone agrees to be the ongoing written and/or verbal translator)
- Computer Repairs - Complaints about fees for non-working computers with no damage.

Non-Profit 501(C)3 Status Report

What needs to be done?

- Obtain funding to pay for the Costs
- Incorporation as Tax Exempt Organization in Maryland - **Filed, Refiled Tuesday, 2/1**
- Federal EIN
- Federal 501(c)3 application
- PTO Insurance
- Registration as MD Charitable Organization required to collect charitable donations

Liz Ryan - Treasurer's Report - Budget

Expenses:

Incorporation as Tax Exempt Organization in Maryland	\$170 - Paid
Incorporation - Expedited Service	\$55 - Paid
Federal EIN	\$0
Federal 501(c)3 application	\$275
PTO Insurance	\$404 (estimated)
Registration as MD Charitable Organization to be authorized to collect charitable donations (reimbursement for T-Shirt supplies)	\$0
Total: \$899 (estimated)	

Revenue:

Donations: Go Fund Me	\$690 (still in account until we get a bank account)
Restaurant Night:	\$0
T-Shirt Sales	\$0
Total: \$690	

Donations/Fundraising Report

***MoCo Delivery Fundraiser (ongoing weekly):** Enjoy delivered food from the Amish Market Yummy Pies & Beiler's Donuts, Metro Dahaba, Izes Deli, Fresh Baguette and Poolesville Raw Pure Honey! Your purchase will be placed at your door on Saturday morning. Deadline for ordering is Thursday night! Please put "Donation to MCPS VA" in the special requests section. Order at: www.mocodelivery.com

***Monthly Restaurant Fundraisers (need volunteer):**

January 17th - Five Guys raised: \$0

Sunday, February 6 & Monday February 7th: PIKE KITCHEN, ROCKVILLE February Fundraiser - Sunday, February 6 & Monday, February 7th. At pick up, tell the restaurant you are participating in the fundraiser and send your receipt to the owner, James Park at 301-922-1585 or email him at jpark@pikekitchen.com. Address: 1066 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 Website: <https://www.pikekitchen.com> * They are generously giving MVAPTC 25%.

***Direct Donations: <https://gofund.me/741e97fa> (GoFundMe) & <https://mvaptc.square.site> (Square): Raised \$690**

***Shirt Sales: <https://mvaptc.square.site>**

Membership & Volunteer/Committee Report

- **Membership: Membership:** <https://forms.gle/L3kVGZHQqgkktkUU8>
 - Membership is free this year! No dues. Everyone welcome and wanted!
 - In order to have voting status, you must become a member per our bylaws!

- **Volunteer/Committee:**
 - In order to make this work, we need volunteers. Virtual is a new concept so feel free to bring your experience and ideas to help plan and make things happen!
 - Link to google document for sign ups:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1P26ZtfaHo0NR9GSjc2xuzHg7G40AvbsiSfEqhBTJjRw/edit?usp=sharing>

Social/Community Connection Committee Report

- Volunteers
- Need insurance for the PTO to sponsor get togethers.
- Partnerships:
 - City of Rockville: Survey - <https://forms.gle/GZgYtBuV6porbkc47>
 - KAH (Kids After Hours) - Carnival May 7th (volunteers to coordinate?)
 - Businesses - ice skating, arts
- Family Directory:
 - Lower School: <https://forms.gle/c7kwQ8pBRPJM6VTD9>
 - Middle School: <https://forms.gle/kpUAFwsDPbSJNXsZ6>
 - Upper School: <https://forms.gle/YqfbRyt11E8eAYjp7>

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Committee Report

- Flowers by Designs by All (generously coordinated by Andrea Levy)
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfO5xb2L5f58-9IAWqUzjDdlzAZIe0JSYxBoRtMooW_wNDuFw/viewform?usp=sf_link
- Amazon Wish List to make staff shirts/tech gear:
<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/KW86FXCZ3F5L/guest-view>
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week is May 2-6th!
 - Get volunteers!
 - Coordinate gift card drive
 - Coordinate/pick up restaurant or parent donations for staff in the VA space
 - Kids create signs to hold up in class and maybe do a google slide or another free way to show it off?
 - ? what else

Committee Report: Special Needs

Andrea Levy Chair

- What is the Special Needs Committee?
 - This is a place to ask questions, get support, and possibly have speakers come in to address the specific needs of the Special Needs Community.
- Who is this committee for?
 - Parents of students in K-12 that have IEPs, 504 plans, and other possible intervention or support needs. Also welcome are those that have questions about what these things are and how they may or may not help your student.
- When will we be meeting?
 - We would like to set up our first meeting for a half hour before the next MVA Parent Teacher Council meeting. We can then decide from there if additional time or dates are needed.

NAACP Parents Council

WHO ARE WE?

Formation of the Parents' Council of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) came about as an outgrowth of ideas put forth during the 1995 and 1996 NAACP Youth Summits. The Parents' Council is one of the vehicles created to empower African American and other minority parents to take a more pro-active role in the education of their children. The Council is made up of parents, guardians and grandparents of minority children enrolled in the Montgomery County Public School System (MCPS) and residents who may not have children in school but who **share the goal of equal education for all children**, particularly minority children.

WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

The Purpose of the Parents' Council is to provide a forum through which interested citizens may offer assistance, guidance and support to African American parents and students of Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) to pursue the highest quality education possible through encouragement, information sharing, positive motivation, critical evaluation and advocacy.

Upper School Representative: Kulika Frazier

Lower School Representative: Donald Whitfield

Black History Month Virtual Resources

Biography/Autobiography Videos - Books Read Aloud (Elementary)

Martin's Big Words: The Life of Martin Luther King, Jr., <https://youtu.be/IWTe9H3aV1o>

A Picture Book of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., <https://youtu.be/YiyqzW3iLQ>

I Have a Dream by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Read Aloud, <https://youtu.be/IDNS-bJKYiQ>

Gordon Parks - How the Photographer Captured White and Black America, <https://youtu.be/Gn3vef-NWws?list=TLGGBJQuk5bcbKMyOTAxMjAyMg>

The Life of Ruby Bridges, <https://youtu.be/WHbV7QA-KQk?list=TLGGmZeHsHnzY9oyOTAxMjAyMg>

Ruby Bridges Goes to School, My True Story, <https://youtu.be/qTRTfwUQ4bl?list=TLGGhA2B-xjIAZ0yOTAxMjAyMg>

The Story of Ruby Bridges, <https://youtu.be/U8D4ldGY41s?list=TLGGQVQvT3qMygwyOTAxMjAyMg>

[Michelle Obama Biography By Deborah Hopkinson Read Aloud, https://youtu.be/ukUfbzrHmNQ?list=TLGGsN4z670DLn8yOTAxMjAyMg](https://youtu.be/ukUfbzrHmNQ?list=TLGGsN4z670DLn8yOTAxMjAyMg)

[Read Out Loud | BEFORE SHE WAS HARRIET, https://youtu.be/k_JZemL5SWI?list=TLGG-NGxsT4A7AyOTAxMjAyMg](https://youtu.be/k_JZemL5SWI?list=TLGG-NGxsT4A7AyOTAxMjAyMg)

Game Changers: The Story of Venus and Serena Williams! <https://youtu.be/w4o5Mj4DsVQ>

Black History Month Virtual Resources

[Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race-Read Aloud](https://youtu.be/WRaNQ6jgcVY?list=TLGG80GF1iLMzjkyOTAxMjAyMg)

<https://youtu.be/WRaNQ6jgcVY?list=TLGG80GF1iLMzjkyOTAxMjAyMg>

[Salt in His Shoes | Children's Book Read Aloud](https://youtu.be/i_XgPEhk7Gc?list=TLGGTv70W-_Zed8yOTAxMjAyMg), https://youtu.be/i_XgPEhk7Gc?list=TLGGTv70W-_Zed8yOTAxMjAyMg

[Misty Copeland Reads "Firebird"](https://youtu.be/TzUZEaceZKc?list=TLGG961r_8CB-0cyOTAxMjAyMg), https://youtu.be/TzUZEaceZKc?list=TLGG961r_8CB-0cyOTAxMjAyMg

[READ ALONG with MISTY COPELAND! | Bunheads | PBS KIDS](https://youtu.be/VQW3APMQHAc?list=TLGGHrVNZ80x_qUyOTAxMjAyMg), https://youtu.be/VQW3APMQHAc?list=TLGGHrVNZ80x_qUyOTAxMjAyMg

[Maya Angelou Little People. BIG DREAMS](https://youtu.be/lhJc1wcpSmA?list=TLGG0vYp5rdXH9syOTAxMjAyMg), <https://youtu.be/lhJc1wcpSmA?list=TLGG0vYp5rdXH9syOTAxMjAyMg>

[Oprah Winfrey - Read Aloud](https://youtu.be/ISFjL52lgA?list=TLGGZ6E9FeN4VroyOTAxMjAyMg), <https://youtu.be/ISFjL52lgA?list=TLGGZ6E9FeN4VroyOTAxMjAyMg>

[When Marian Sang](https://youtu.be/X7qKJmFAGs0?list=TLGGJ7R8cOJs1tsyOTAxMjAyMg), <https://youtu.be/X7qKJmFAGs0?list=TLGGJ7R8cOJs1tsyOTAxMjAyMg>

George Washington Carver

[In the Garden with Dr Carver by Susan Grigsby](https://youtu.be/_q2F6V1Bf5s?list=TLGGAJmkPxQmvf8yOTAxMjAyMg), https://youtu.be/_q2F6V1Bf5s?list=TLGGAJmkPxQmvf8yOTAxMjAyMg

Black History Month Virtual Resources Continued

[A Weed Is A Flower](https://youtu.be/-Wn-ImNCqns?list=TLGG3Kg9r_SVrZkyOTAxMjAyMg), https://youtu.be/-Wn-ImNCqns?list=TLGG3Kg9r_SVrZkyOTAxMjAyMg

The Wise Channel Black History Month (Elementary)

[ALFRED CRALLE \(Ice Cream Scoop Inventor\)](#)

Dr. Mae Jemison, <https://youtu.be/nxD3aK3ZUpk>

Marian Anderson, https://youtu.be/tL_FxLPj8ak

Josephine Baker (singer and spy) <https://youtu.be/JvrNV-VwK3g>

[Interview With Sharon McDougle | NASA Hidden Figure | Womens History | The Wise Channel](#)

[WILLIE O'REE \(First Black NHL Player\) - Black History Month](#)

[Marie Brown | Security System Inventor | Womens History | The Wise Channel](#)

Literature (Elementary)

[The Hula-Hoopin' Queen read by Oprah Winfrey](#), <https://youtu.be/op9Bc7GWCuw?list=TLGG9DTfKtMPPF5IyOTAxMjAyMg>

[Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman | Children's Read Aloud Story](#), <https://youtu.be/LmIfdJRSGQ?list=TLGGI51TpPgz6okyOTAxMjAyMg>

[Storytime Channel for Kids: Skin Like Mine by LaTashia M. Perry](#), <https://youtu.be/3qJAn7JAAtAM?list=TLGGxCDSbuy3WeEyOTAxMjAyMg>

Affordable Connectivity Program

You may be eligible for a monthly credit toward your Internet service

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping you connected, Xfinity is proud to participate in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides eligible households a credit of up to \$30/month toward Internet service. We're making it simple for both new and existing customers to apply this credit toward Xfinity Internet services, including Internet Essentials.

<https://www.xfinity.com/learn/internet-service/ebb>

Low-Cost Dell Computer -\$149

<https://www.internetessentials.com/low-cost-computer>

New Business/Announcements

*SSL Hours - Middle & High School: We have been approved for SSL hours. Ideas for meetings & volunteering for students.

*Read-A-Thon for March 2022 - Read-A-Thon (MVAPTO run), Pizza Hut (Teacher Run), Panda Express Other option?

*Next MVAPTC meeting is Thursday, March 3, 2022

Social Media Links & Contact Information

Website: <https://vaparentcouncil.godaddysites.com>

Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=montgomery%20virtual%20academy%20parent%20teacher%20council>

Unofficial Facebook Parent Group called MCPS - Montgomery Virtual Academy Families (Montgomery County, MD): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/530674078014807>

You can reach Jessica at parentcouncil@cpjsweb.com

Membership, Committee & Directory Links

MVAPTC Membership Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/ATxuHnUWnvEqVD9Y8>

MVAPTC Committee Sign Up:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1P26ZtfaHo0NR9GSjc2xuzHg7G40AvbsiSfEqhBTljRw/edit?usp=sharing>

MVAPTC Lower School Family Directory Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/c7kwQ8pBRPJM6VTD9>

MVAPTC Middle School Family Directory Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/kpUafwsDPbSJNXsZ6>

MVAPTC High School Family Directory Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/YqfbRyt11E8eAYjp7>

Donations & Shirt Sales Links

Teacher Wish List: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/KW86FXCZ3F5L/guest-view>

Teacher Flowers by Andrea Levy:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfO5xb2L5f58-9IAWqUzjDdlzAZle0JSYxBoRtMooW_wNDuFw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Direct Donations: <https://gofund.me/741e97fa> (GoFundMe) & <https://mvaptc.square.site>
(Square)

Shirt Sales: <https://mvaptc.square.site>

Adjourn

We will stay after the meeting to have informal PTC discussions. Please stay if you can.