

**McKittrick Elementary PTA**  
**General Meeting**  
Date: May 7, 2024 5:30-6:30pm  
Location: Virtual

Heather Foster Aimee Kennedy Barrie Vause Darbie Wilder Bethany Garofala Brandi Kenny	Erin Ciricelli Lindsay Jimson Monica Conteras Becky Maener Viviana Lit Yami Hoyos	Jessica Campbell Chris Godshaw Robert Hudson Angie Baker Jessica Irizzari Lauren Clyman
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- I. **Welcome, Call Meeting to Order & Confirm Quorum** **Heather Foster, President**
- a. Meeting called to order at 5:30pm and quorum is reached
- II. **Principal Address** **Alison Cline, Principal**
- III. **President Report** **Heather Foster, President**
- a. Nice reminder - our Mission of our PTA!
- b. Today's meeting minutes and presentation will be uploaded to website in parent resources information
- c. Approval of January 23, 2024 General Meeting Minutes
- d. Bylaws Renewal - No Changes Submitted to Florida PTA and membership was notified via Giveback emails
- IV. **Election of 2024/25 Executive Officers** **Heather Foster, President**
- a. The Nomination Committee submitted their report on April 1, 2024 with the proposed slate of officers for the 2024/25 school year. The membership will vote on this slate of officer positions during the election meeting that will take place during this meeting.
- Outline below is the proposed slate of 2024/ 25 McKittrick PTA Officers**
- Heather Foster - President
  - Brandi Kenny - Vice President
  - Erin Ciricelli - Recording Secretary
  - Gina Sciacchitano- Treasurer
- The election of these offices shall take place during the election meeting that will take place on May 7, 2024.
- Slate of Officers Propose by Nomination Committee:
- Lauren Buzynski- Chair
  - Lauren Constantine
  - Yami Hoyos
  - Robert Hudson
- V. **School of Excellence** **Lindsay Jimison, Vice President**
- a. A survey was sent out to our entire school population at the beginning of the school year to identify opportunities of focus and goals for this year.
- b. Our school of excellence goals & action plan was reviewed during call. It outlines what has been done this year to support the diversity at our school as well as goals for the future.
- c. Be on the lookout for a final school of excellence survey that will go out this week.

**VI. Treasurer's Report**

**Erin Circelli, Treasurer**

- a. Update on current balance & total disbursements
- b. Current account balance as of 4/9/24 was \$95,417.77, total receipts \$9,481.58; total Disbursements \$33,030.03; account balance as of 5/7/24 is \$71,869.34
- c. Proposed & Members Vote on McKittrick Revised & Summer Interim 2024 PTA Budget changes
  - i. Budget was unanimously approved by membership during our general meeting

**VII. Want to get more involved at McKittrick? Join our PTA Team Next Year**

- a. [Click here](#) to review & sign up for a committee(s) that interests you!
- b. Apply by May 17th!

**VIII. Standing Chair Updates**

**a. Fundraising**

**Darbie Wilder**

**i. Bobcat Bash**

Bobcat Bash & Picnic in the Park was a great event with so many families & faculty enjoying themselves! The concert was fantastic, and the casual atmosphere of the bash was a great place for families to just come hang out. The games were fun and we had great food! The student volunteers from Martinez and Steinbrenner were grateful to come out and help. Thank you to the families for being a part of this give back to our teachers.

- ii. **Dine Outs** We had our last dine out in April at Blaze Pizza, thank you to the Bobcat families who came out to support our school! With our dine outs this year, we have been able to raise funds for our school, while supporting some of our wonderful business partners! Thank you to Lisa Peluso & Megan Wilson for doing an amazing job this year coordinating our dine outs.

**iii. Business Partners**

Thank you to our business partners who generously help & provide needed resources for our students and teachers. Perks to becoming a business partner include your company logo in our newsletter, flyers & yearbook, receiving a social media spotlight, newsletter spotlight, listing in partner directory on PTA website and company banner displayed on our fence.

**iv. Spirit Wear**

Jen Ptack has done an amazing job coordinating with our awesome supplier Elite Ink, bringing us new & fun designs! The winter designs were a big hit!

**b. Communications**

**Lauren Constantine**

**i. Newsletter**

Final newsletter of the year went out. Follow us on social media over the summer to stay informed on what's coming up early next school year.

**ii. Yearbooks**

Limited quantities available - will go for sale online tomorrow morning 5/8/2024

**c. Parents Outreach**

**Gina Willemin**

**i. Memberships**

#1 Elementary school in the district for memberships!

Thank you to all of our members for your support this year!!

**ii. Volunteering**

- **Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast 5/15/2025 8-9:30am**
- **Upcoming volunteer opportunities**

- a. 5th Grade Banquet - Sign up to help  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094EAEAC29A75-49221682-5thgrade>
- b. 5th Grade Field Day - Sign up to volunteer [PTA Volunteers 2023-2024: 5th Grade Field Day Help Needed \(signupgenius.com\)](#)

**d. Programs**

**Barrie Vause**

**i. McKittrick Serves**

- Continues to work so hard on providing community service projects for our students. Paws for Literacy is program for students to read to animals. Reserve your volunteer time Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:45 - 4PM. [Paws for Literacy - Humane Society of Tampa Bay \(humanesocietytampa.org\)](http://humanesocietytampa.org)
- We are looking for volunteers who'd like to help our school goats, Luna & Athena, on weekends and holiday breaks. Reach out to Katie at [mckittrickserves@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:mckittrickserves@mckitrickpta.com). We are having goat training 2/10 at 10am.

**ii. Reflections**

- The Reflections Program has moved into the judging process on local, state and national levels. 6 of our students were awards at the Hillsborough County Council PTA/PTSA Awards Ceremony. Their artwork was also on display to the public. Congratulations to our talented McKittrick Bobcats! Winners will be moving on the state competition.
- Next years Reflection Theme will be Accepting Imperfection. Stay tuned for more info!

**iii. Tutoring**

- 19 teachers utilized the tutoring program. Up from 5 that used it last year!
- 9 tutors helped approximately 75 students. Up from 6 tutors and 30-40 students last year.
- We would love to have even more tutors next year so please consider being a volunteer!

**iv. Junior Achievement**

- We had 21 teachers participate this year in the Junior Achievement program. The JA program teaches students financial literacy, entrepreneurship and work readiness through an interactive program our trained volunteers lead.

**e. Student & School Support**

**Risa Anasky**

**i. Teacher Appreciation:**

- We celebrated our "Sun"sational teachers this week! Thank you to the Teacher Appreciation committee (Ariel Martinez, Jincy Soler, Jennifer Ptack, Melissa Weitzenfeld, and Jessica Williams) for putting this week together.
- Thank you to 3 Brothers Pizza, Twisted Kettle Popcorn, NY Bagel, Hungry Greek, and Bahama Bucks for providing wonderful meals and treats. We also recognize and appreciate all the volunteers who donated breakfast and their time to make this a fantastic week for our teachers and staff!

**f. Special Events**

**Becky Maener**

- i. Lots of fun events happened this last half of the school year thank you to our business sponsors and Bobcat family for making all of these events a memorable experience for our teachers, students and families
  - Sons n Stars
  - Sweetheart Dance

- Bobcat Bash
- Family Fun SLAM Night
- ii. **5th Grade Event**
  - **Approaching our final weeks**
  - Completed events: Service Project, Field Trip, Yard Sale Signs, Fundraising
  - Upcoming Events: Field Day, Banquet, EOY Awards, Clap Out

I. **Final Thoughts & Closing Remarks**

**Heather Foster, President**

**Meeting adjourned 6:14pm**