

**McKitrick Elementary PTA  
General Meeting  
Date: September 5, 2024 5:30-6:30pm EST  
Location: Virtual**

**Meeting Attendees:**

Heather Foster Erin Circelli Brandi Kenny Gina Sciacchitano Monica Contreras Viviana Lit Darbie Wilder Barrie Vause Allison Cline	Lindsay Tierney Robert Hudson Danielle Whittington Yami Hoyos Micheal Kenny Renata Carboni Christine Lenzo Lin Ho Seaphanh Angela Baker Rhea & Arnab	Nga Nguyen Priscilla Kubach Aimee Kennedy Kathy Vu Leslie Collins Marisa Monaghan Lindsay Whitney Robyn Gaudineer Karem Torres Debbie Draper	
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**I. Welcome, Call Meeting to Order & Confirm Quorum**

**Heather Foster, President**

- A. Meeting called to order at 5:34PM and quorum is reached.

**II. Principal Address**

**Alison Cline, Principal**

- A. Ann Testa-Secca couldn't make the meeting and will not be on campus today and tomorrow. She is a rock star and has an important role at school and the PTA. You can reach her when she returns next week.
- B. The start of school has been busy with many new students, McKitrick is the second biggest school in the district.
- C. Traffic is getting better. Deputy Lopez is currently filling in for Office Wyndom. The School District does not allow for the officers to do traffic control. To help make the car line more efficient, all cars should drive forward and pull all the way to the front of the drop off line. Getting to school earlier helps drivers avoid high school traffic when exiting McKitrick. The traffic complaints are about the last couple of minutes of the carline.
- D. Testing has already started. The Parent Vue and Synergy system is new and they are working out issues. Getting your Parent Vue account set up is essential and your Volunteer YES form completed.

**III. President & Vice President Updates**

**Heather Foster, President**

**Brandi Kenny, Vice President**

- A. PTA mission statement
- B. Introduce 2024/25 PTA Board - Heather, Brandi, Erin and Gina
- C. Win a gift card to Hungry Greek
- D. Copy of meeting minutes and presentation will be posted to our PTA website. The PDF presentation has detailed information and links.
- E. Accomplishments
1. Met our 2023-24 fundraising goals and the new library furniture is in and installed.
  2. Two of our PTA representatives won awards from the Hillsborough County Council PTA - Mrs. Contreras & Steve Attard.
  3. McKitrick was awarded with the School of Excellence designation for 2023-2025.
- F. How to stay informed - purchase your annual membership, Complete your Volunteer YES form, Follow us on social media, Facebook, Instagram and X. If you are new to McKitrick, go to the website and we have an information packet for new families.
- G. Several positions still available: Memberships, Special Events Standing Chair, McKitrick Serves, Newcomers/Kindergarten Readiness, Health and Safety.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

**Gina Sciacitano, Treasurer  
Erin Circelli, Secretary**

- A. Audit report conducted on 8/14/24 and submitted to Florida PTA 8/30/24 - books were found to be in good standing order
- B. 2024/25 McKitrick PTA Budget: Gina reported the budget line by line
  - 1. Propose & members vote on 2024/25 McKitrick PTA Budget.
  - 2. Budget has been adopted unanimously
- C. Update on current balance & total disbursements balance as of 8/19/24 was \$61,663.41; total receipts are \$10,272.14; total disbursements are \$3,558.65 ; balance as of 9/5/24 is \$68,376.90
- D. Copy of the budget can be requested by contacting [treasurer@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:treasurer@mckitrickpta.com) or [recordingsecretary@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:recordingsecretary@mckitrickpta.com)

**V. Fundraising Report : Darbie Wilder, Standing Chair; Presented by Brandi Kenny**

- A. Overview of Fundraising
- B. Boosterthon Fundraising Goals for this 2024/ 25 school year - to raise \$50,000 for Phase 2 of the Media Center renovations, teacher grants and school technology.
- C. Upcoming Dates for Boosterthon:
  - a) Pep rally 10/3/24
  - b) Boosterthon Bobcat Fun Run 10/11/24
  - c) Register at mybooster.com starting 9/16/24
- D. Dine out Three Brothers Pizza, 9/12/24
- E. Spiritwear sale went well and orders were distributed to students
- F. Our Business Partner chair is Cristine Whitman. Please contact her if you are interested in being a McKitrick Elementary Business Partner at [businesspartners@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:businesspartners@mckitrickpta.com)

**VI. Parent Outreach report: Viviana Lit, Standing Chair; Presented by Brandi Kenny**

- A. All Pro Dads - Please RSVP for the next meeting and complete YES form for quick check in process.
- B. Volunteer and Homeroom Parent Training tomorrow Virtually 9/6/24 8:00 AM
- C. Membership Drive Pizza Party - Mrs. Monaghan's class is in the lead but we still have until 9/13 for the deadline. We encourage each family to purchase one membership so you can stay informed and be engaged. Purchase memberships at <https://mckitrick.givebacks.com/store>

**VII. Student and School Support Report: Risa Anasky, Standing Chair; Presented by Brandi Kenny**

- A. Had our Welcome Back Teacher event right before school started.
- B. The two day Open House was a success! We had our first Kindergarten Signing Day table.
- C. PTA will provide dinner at the first conference night.

**VIII. Communications Report: Lauren Constantine, Standing Chair; Presented by Brandi Kenny**

- A. Yearbooks are for sale. We had our first pricing increase. Purchase your yearbooks now at <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index.cfm/job/10651>
- B. Yearbook Cover Art Contest submissions are due 9/25. Artwork selected will be featured on the cover and in the yearbook.
- C. Buy a membership and get the newsletter directly to your email.

**IX. Programs Report: Barrie Vause, Standing Chair; Presented by Heather Foster**

- A. Tutoring Is looking for volunteers - Training and materials are provided. Complete the interest form <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNSPieSzizpG4yeHZVs2kgUPP3iQaWXToOiD4TmOLtt-3pFQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=>. Please contact [tutoring@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:tutoring@mckitrickpta.com) with questions.
- B. Reflections - National Competition for the PTA - 7 different categories, Theme is Accepting Imperfection. Contact [reflections@mckitrickpta.com](mailto:reflections@mckitrickpta.com) for more details.

**X. Special Events Report: Risa Anasky, Standing Chair; Presented by Heather Foster**

- A. Our Ice Cream Social/Membership drive with Lutz Scoops ice cream social big success. Big thanks to Martinez FFA for bringing in animals for the students to see.

**XI. Final Thoughts & Closing Remarks**

**Heather Foster, President**

**Meeting Adjourned 6:15PM**

**Erin Circelli**