

Board Members

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**Vernay Gilliard**, Membership Chair, Bethesda PTA  
**Katrina Larmond**, Principal, Bethesda Elementary School

## GENERAL PTA Board Minutes

The General meeting for Bethesda PTA was held on Thursday, September 19, 2019 in the Bethesda ES Media Center. The President called the meeting to order at 5:49 p.m. There were 28 members in attendance.

The President welcomed everyone present and invited Mrs. Larmond to say a few words.

Mrs. Larmond thanked the board for the work and presented the board with the “Merit Award” for Membership in 2018-2019.

The Secretary established a quorum was present, and the President introduced the PTA Board. The open board position was announced.

The Treasurer went over the proposed budget and current financials. A motion was made to approve the budget. Motion was approved.

The Membership Chair gave an update on current membership numbers along with our goal of 200 members by October 30<sup>th</sup> with a stretch goal of 300. Discussed membership drives and that ANYONE can join PTA.

The VP of Events presented our Chick-fil-A Spirit Nights, Harvest Fest and all the ways to volunteer. A “Next Steps” flyer was handed out.

The President then spoke about our theme: “Breaking Barriers at Bethesda”. Additional fundraiser ideas were presented including the PTA’s gift to the graduating DLI 5<sup>th</sup> graders, an engraved brick in their honor. The President also announced that fundraising money was going towards a playground improvement project.

The Spiritwear Chair showed off our new Spiritwear shirts and hat; first DLI shirt from PTA along with several “give back” Spiritwear ideas and inexpensive options were discussed.

The VP of Events talked about our community partnerships with Chick-fil-A, Waffle House and Amerigroup. Shenna Jones of Amerigroup was invited to speak to the assembly about how Amerigroup can benefit our school.

The President opened the floor for Q&A.

Q. “How do we connect with parents in the classroom?”

A. Looking into reestablishing room parents

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

*Jessica Thornhill*

Jessica Thornhill, Secretary