

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Bylaws: Awaiting Maryland PTA bylaws addendum. If your bylaws are due soon, [use the old template](#).

Communications:

- **Blue Book is being printed** for distribution at 12/4 DA. PTAs that didn't register officers by late October are not included.
- **Elists are being transferred** to Groups IO. Everyone who was subscribed to the old groups for Presidents, Delegates, Treasurers and the MCCPTA Board should soon get a message confirming that the group has moved. It will include the new address for sending messages. Otherwise, there's nothing that users need to do. Health/Safety, Reflections, and Special Ed groups will be transferred next.
- Still **seeking a Communications chair and e-Communications chair**. Email vpadmin@mccpta.org.

Nominating: Requesting BOD/DA approval for the following committee members:

BCC – Debby Orsak
Central Clusters – Matt Swibel
DCC – Michelle Miller
North Clusters – Tammy Clark
At large – Chris Rutledge

Representatives are still needed for NEC-Sherwood and West Clusters (Clarksburg-NW-QO-SV).

Training: MCCPTA is conducting area training 12/16 at Clarksburg HS. Board, financial, officer training and conflict resolution are included. It was planned for one PTSA; we expanded to include a two others and can probably accommodate a few more. Local leaders who want to attend should contact vpadmin@mccpta.org ASAP. MDPTA holds regional training on 12/7. We'll post details when received.

STANDARDS OF CONTINUING AFFILIATION (SOCA)

No new report. As of 9-30-19 84 of our 197 PTAs were fully compliant. Note upcoming deadlines:

- Nov. 15: 2018 990
- Dec. 31: Maryland Charitable Annual Update of Registration

MEMBERHUB – Our new statewide online PTA management system - is up and running! Our "Hub" is MCCPTACouncil.memberhub.com.

- In less than 3 weeks, 25% of our locals have set up their hubs, twice the rate statewide. A few PTAs have set up WePay accounts, and at least one is tracking compliance online. 197 local units are connected to our Council Hub.
- MCCPTA Officers, board members have been added with your MCCPTA email address. If you have trouble logging in, please be patient while we complete setup. We'll share login instructions when everything is tested and complete.
- MCCPTA's WePay account is ready, so locals will be able to pay MCCPTA dues electronically (and separately from MDPTA dues).

- More training is scheduled for next week. Details posted on Board/Presidents/Delegates elists.
 - Fundraising and Store Setup: Monday, Nov. 18 at 8pm - <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3024852548230578189>
 - Communications (messaging, signup, etc.) - Thursday, Nov. 21 at 8pm <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6031039384360730893>
- More information, FAQs and a template to upload your members [HERE](#)
- **MemberHub becomes mandatory July 1, 2020**

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

- Parent applications for the new MCPS **Family Engagement Advisory Team** are now available online and at each school. MCPS is sharing this opportunity via its website, Quick Notes, the MCPS Bulletin and social media beginning this week. Applications are due Dec. 13. Encourage PTAs to spread the word. The team will advise MCPS on current and upcoming programs, initiatives and decisions. MCCPTA is a consulting partner. We are seeking a diverse group of parents from across the county. Members will serve for two years. More details are available in the application.
- Seven MCPS schools have enrolled in the **National PTA School of Excellence** program: Bells Mill ES, Churchill HS, Eastern MS, Forest Knolls MS, Meadow Hall ES, Parkland MS and Piney Branch ES. Cluster leaders: *please make sure they complete the initial application with survey results by Friday, Nov. 15. If not, they'll be dropped from the program.* This recognition program celebrates PTAs and schools that make a year-long commitment to identify and implement an action plan for school improvement based on PTA's National Standards for Family-School Partnerships and Transformative Family Engagement. MCPS hasn't had one since Banneker MS in 2015.
- **Seeking PTAs to feature in an MCPS staff training video** on effective school-PTA partnerships. Doing great things with your principal or teachers? Email me ASAP at vpadmin@mccpta.org.