

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MCCPTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, February 2, 2006 at the Carver Educational Services Center

(The following motions and resolutions were passed at the February 2 meeting.)

Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

January 5 executive board meeting minutes stand as written.

Diane McHale made a motion that until we have a list from the MD PTA to know who's in good standing that we assume that all local PTAs are in good standing, so that their executive board members can vote. It was seconded. Jinhee Wilde made a motion to table the discussion. The motion to table was seconded and carried on a voice vote.

Ted Willard made a motion to regretfully accept Shirley Brandman's resignation as Vice President – Educational Issues, and thank her for all of her contributions. It was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Shirley Brandman continues as Committee Chair of Grading and Reporting.

Juan Johnson made a motion that the Board of Directors members who file as a certificate of candidacy for countywide office be removed from office as of the date of filing. It was seconded. Lori Merrill called the question. A standing vote for calling the question failed. Steve Crowley offered an amendment that the motion should be changed from countywide to any elected public office in the state of Maryland. It was seconded. The amendment failed on a standing vote. Diane McHale called the question and it passed on a standing vote. The motion failed on a standing vote.

Ted Willard made a motion that the Board of Directors decline Susie Scofield's offer of resignation as a Magruder cluster coordinator. It was seconded. A standing vote resulted in a tie. A paper ballot was taken. The motion failed. Because Susie Scofield had not resigned her cluster coordinator position she remains cluster coordinator and a co-committee chair for Gifted Child Committee. Susie Scofield stated that Ted had a resignation if that was the will of the body. Our vote said that no resignation is required. So, Susie is still the cluster coordinator, but she cannot speak on behalf of the MCCPTA organization.

Diane McHale made a motion that executive officers of the Board of Directors shall resign within a week of filing for candidacy for public office and that all members of the Board of Directors shall refrain from public speaking on behalf of MCCPTA within a week of filing for candidacy for public office. It was seconded. Jane de Winter made an amendment to the motion that instead of a week that they no longer speak on behalf of MCCPTA effective immediately upon filing for office. It was seconded. It passed by a voice vote. The question was called and passed on a standing vote. The motion passed on a standing vote. This will be passed on to the bylaws committee.

Jane de Winter moved to drop the topic and conduct business. It was seconded. The question was called by a show of hands. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Juan Johnson made a motion to appointment Sharon St. Pierre Vice President - Educational Issues, and Ted Willard Vice President – Programs. It was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Tracy Fox made a motion that the Board of Directors allow the health committee to draft a letter on the MCCPTA position on the wellness policy to be presented to the Delegate Assembly. It was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Tracy Fox asked Cindy Kerr to request a voice vote from the Board of Directors to support allowing Cindy on behalf of the MCCPTA to ask parents to sign permission for their students to participate in a random sample to collect anonymous data on teen risk behaviors. The voice vote favored this action.

Diane McHale made a motion to endorse the resolution brought by Rocky Hill Middle School PTA (see below). It was seconded. The question was called after discussion and passed. The resolution was endorsed by the Board of Directors by a voice vote and will be presented to the Delegate Assembly this February.

Whereas, MCPS is continually building, maintaining, modernizing, and expanding school facilities,
Whereas, such construction requires MCPS to use contractors and subcontractors not affiliated with MCPS,
Whereas, the above said contractors and subcontractors employ personnel at MCPS facilities that come in direct or indirect contact with administrators, staff, teachers, students, and community members,
Whereas, MCPS requires criminal background checks to be performed for all individuals employed by the school system so as to protect its personnel and children from a variety of risks, including threat of physical harm,
Whereas, MCPS is risking the safety of its students and employees by allowing potential convicted Felons, including sex offenders, to work as employees of contractors performing services at the schools,
Be it Resolved that all contractors, and their subcontractors, who engage in contracts with MCPS must provide proof of state and criminal background checks for any and all employees who work for them at MCPS facilities;
Be it Further Resolved, that individuals found to have been convicted of sex offenses and other violent offenses be prohibited from working in any capacity at MCPS facilities; and
Be it Further Resolved, that MCPS impose sanctions on any contractors who fail to abide by any policies prohibiting the employment of sex offenders and other violent offenders at MCPS facilities.