**MCCPTA Board of Directors**

**January 19, 2022**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**7:03pm President Cynthia Simonson** called the meeting to order, read the mission statement. December BOD meeting minutes were adopted as submitted.

**BOD Secretary Sally McCarthy r**eported 39 members present; 28 eligible voting members, quorum was met.

**7:05pm Officer Reports**

Cynthia Simonson, President provided updates about:

* + MCPS COATS advisory team work and issues with the COVID return to school implementation
  + Stated that there would likely be a FREE STATE PTSA update in February; and
  + Discussed MCPS oversight of teams that are not designated as Varsity, allied or otherwise school sponsored. Boad discussed the drafted statement from December, agreed that timing was not right and that would consider a letter that would ask MCPS to consider and implement a systemwide oversight and understanding of these teams;

Rodney Peele, Vice President- Educational Issues provided updates broadly from his submitted report:

* + MCPS credit updates;
  + Learning recovery;
  + New tutoring resources; and
  + His participation on the MDSE Blue Print Steering Committee on behalf of MCCPTA

Charisse Scott, Vice President- Programs reported on:

* + Work to update and integrate a centralized calendar of programming events across MCCPTA. BOD members shared idea for supporting this; and
  + BOD discussed events and activities that should be posted like vax fax, Friday evening forums, Youth Summits, etc.

Laura Mitchell, Vice President- Advocacy reported the following:

* + OP testimony worked well this year, as did the OP Budget workshop held before the hearings for those testifying; and
  + Announced the National PTA grant awarded to MCCPTA

Rochelle Fink, Vice President – Administration reported:

* + There were no updates to SOCA this year from FREE STATE; and
  + MCCPTA actively seeking member for the Nominating Committee and candidates for the many offices that will be termed-out.

Francesco Paganini, Treasurer submitted report, but not present.

**8:05 pm Committee Reports**

* Bylaws Subcommittee Update – Kellie Scholar Reynolds reported that the Bylaws revisions would go before the DA next week for approval. Kellie also reported that FREE STATE has approved the bylaws template and that these templates for each local need to be submitted to FS by June.
* Technology Committee update - Gail Ratvnistky Silberglied reported on the following: 1) confusion about MCPS statement that all MCSP platforms are “in sync”; 2) the cyber attack prevention and selling of student data (eg. Naviance?) and 3) updates from Virtual Academy Deans.

**8:20 pm New Business**

* BOD accepted the resignation of Engagement Chair, Garrick Yau
* Consideration of Health & Wellness Committee letter – Hannah Donart presented the letter to MCPS, the County Council, County HHS leaders outlining clear request regarding in school COVID mitigation measures, testing and quarantine measures and the request for better planning before Spring Break. Gail RS motioned to adopt; Evelyn Chung seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**8:47pm Announcements & Adjournment**

**Upcoming MCCPTA Meetings:**

**DA January 25, 2022**

**BOD February 9, 2022**

**DA February 22, 2022**

Minutes submitted by BOD Secretary Sally McCarthy