

Farmland ES PTA Meeting  
January 10, 2024  
Virtual Meeting on Zoom

30 people joined on zoom.  
Tracy M called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Review of mission

*To make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.*

Thank you to all of our volunteers in December!

Heritage Month Displays and Slides

SangHa L.  
SuJung K.  
MinJung J.  
Woohy J.  
Eundeok C.

Rachel L., Reflections art program  
Jen M., Reflections art program  
Diana A., restaurant fundraisers, after-school activities

Cheryl B., spelling bee, staff appreciation  
Jonathan S., spelling bee  
Tara G., school sign  
Janet R., staff appreciation  
Ira T., website  
Laurie E., newsletter  
Board members, staff members, and administration

Calendar Review

- January 8-10 - Grades 3-5 Spelling Bee Pre-Tests, during recess
- January 24 - Special Education Parent Coffee Social, 9:30 a.m.
- January 24 - Farmland Together/DEI Committee Zoom meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- January 27 - 29, Mimi's Handmade Ice Cream fundraiser
- February 6 - PTA meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- February 7 - Spelling Bee, during school
- February 12 - Oh Mama Grill fundraiser
- February 24 - Skate Night, Cabin John Ice Rink, 6:30 p.m.

Other notable dates

- January 17 - Farmland Community Service Night
- January 15, January 29, February 19 - No school
- March 2-3 - Walter Johnson HS used book sale

Woodward Updates:

- There is no new information since our December 5 meeting. The cluster reps will be having their regular meeting 1/31 after which an update, if any, will be shared.

Volunteer needs:

- Field Day Shirt Coordinator: Please contact farmlandPTAsecretary@gmail.com if interested in this role.

Board member reports:

Secretary's Report

- The minutes from the PTA meeting on December 5th were presented. Jessica S moved to approve the minutes, Jennifer M seconded. By unanimous vote, the minutes were

- approved.
- Please opt in to receive PTA communications.
- Social media is an easy way to keep important announcements and reminders at hand.

#### Treasurer's Report

- Income and expenses for the year so far were presented.

#### VP Reports

##### VP Ways and Means

- Yearbooks are on sale. Please upload photos via the yearbook website.
- Spring Fling coming up; contact Amanda O if you are interested in helping.

##### VP DEI

- January 24th is both a Special Education Coffee and DEI Farmland Together meeting.
- International Night is April 17th - save the date! Sign-ups coming in February.

##### VP Extracurricular

- Winter after school activities are available for enrollment.

##### VP Educational Programs

- Spelling Bee ongoing
- Look for an email about volunteering for STEM week coming soon!
- Dates: STEM Week is March 18-22, Family STEM night will be March 21

##### MCCPTA Representatives

- Thank you to everyone who submitted an entry for the Reflections arts competition.
- Maryland State Board of Education is looking to hire a new superintendent. Please complete the survey to share your thoughts.

##### Farmland Staff Reports

###### Mrs. Weissenburger's report

- Thank you for the special breakfast before break! The teachers feel so appreciated!
- Come to community service night - Wednesday January 17th - Families welcome!

##### Principal's Report

- Thank you for the donations for community service night and for the bingo games.
- Mrs. Longest and Ms. Strauss shared information about the steps the school is taking to help support stakeholders as they work to ensure Farmland is an inclusive community in which students and staff know they are valued by teaching them to recognize and take action to reduce hateful and hurtful comments and actions.
- The draft slides will be shared in Mrs. Longest's Sunday's email. Share your thoughts on the slides using the survey link at the end of the draft slides.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for 7 PM on February 6, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky F  
Farmland PTA Secretary