

Fairfax County SEPTA

SEPTA General Membership Meeting
Bylaws/Elections/Membership Forum
Gatehouse Administration Center Building CAFE
Gatehouse Road, Falls Church VA 22042



I. 7:14pm Call to order, Quorum count, Approval of the Agenda

- A. 20 voting members are in attendance

II. Approval of Meeting minutes from January and February General Membership Meetings

- A. Michelle T. Moves to accept the minutes from January and February as they are. Debbie Kilpatrick 2nd Approved Unanimously

III. Treasurer's Report

- A. We are within \$66.46 of our original goal. We want to thank the community for coming out and supporting us in our first year of our budget.
- B. We may be able to fund a few more grants, as we did not use all of our funds in all committees.

IV. Announcements

- A. SEPTA SpEd Liaisons & Fundraising Events: **(Joanne) Special thanks to Joanne for all she has done this year.**
 1. May 16 Sped Liaisons meeting - Panel Discussion at Camelot Elementary School in the Library
 2. May 5, Fundraiser: Yoga for Good at Sun and Moon Yoga Studio
 3. June 16th FCCPTA will be doing their PTA training and Joanne will be hosting the panel so that training.
 4. ACSD Meeting is next Wednesday and they will be giving their report and subcommittee reports. We encourage you to attend and give public comment.
- B. Upcoming SEPTA Meetings **(Diane)**
 1. June Awards and End of Year Celebration details being finalized for June 1st or 2nd
 2. We will continue to take awards until this Friday May 4th
 - a) You don't have to nominate in each category but if you know one or two people please make sure that they know that they are appreciated.

3. Custom Ink T-Shirt Run will launch at the end of this week. There will be ladies' t-shirts and toddler size shirts available on this run.

V. Bylaws Presentation and Vote: (Diane Cooper-Gould & Brooke Varma)

- A. We are proposing that we change the structure of our board, and we as a board voted to move to a President and Vice President structure.
 1. It allows the Officers to run additional years, up to 3 years if they so choose. It also doesn't require the President Elect to be there for 2 years.
- B. Please see the attached proposed change documents attached.
- C. The Executive Committee is returning to the bylaws just striking the Principal from the committee. Article 8 & Article 9 are both struck.
- D. Norm Moves to change the bylaws as presented. Ami 2nd the motion. Unanimously approved.

VI. Presentation of Officer Slates by Nomination Committee Chair including call for nominations from the floor for each office

- A. Because of the snow day our time table was a bit thrown off. So what we need to do is vote on the slates for both bylaws until the Virginia PTA approves the new bylaws. If the VA PTA doesn't approve in time, then the new officers under the old bylaws will take over until the new bylaws are approved.
- B. The current bylaws Slate A is Brooke Varma, President; Ami Todd, Treasurer and Laura Allen for Secretary. The new bylaws Slate B will be Diane Cooper-Gould, President; Brooke Varma, Vice President; Ami Todd, Treasurer and Laura Allen for Secretary.

VII. Elections (Debbie Kilpatrick, NOVA District Director)

- A. Are there nominations from the floor for the President-Elect position? No nominations from the floor, the position of President-Elect will be open.
- B. Ami Todd has been nominated for the Office of Treasurer. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.
- C. Laura Allen has been nominated for the Office of Secretary. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.
- D. All those in favor of Slate A-voted Unanimously.
- E. Slate B, will take effect once the VA PTA approves the proposed bylaws.
 1. Diane Cooper-Gould has been nominated for the Office of President. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.
 2. Brooke Varma has been nominated for the Office of Vice President. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.
 3. Ami Todd has been nominated for the Office of Treasurer. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.

4. Laura Allen has been nominated for the Office of Secretary. Are there any nominations from the floor? No. The nominations are now closed.
5. All those in favor of Slate B – voted unanimously
6. Debbie now declares Slate A and Slate B are both voted on and approved by the membership. Both will be valid until the VA PTA approves the new bylaws.

VIII. Membership Forum and CAKE!

A. Each member introduced himself/herself, saying a bit about a concern.

IX. 8:50pm Adjourn & Clean Up