

**Thurgood Marshall PTA
Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
January 9th, 2014 6:30pm**

In attendance - Sharmila Williams, Julie Breidenbach, Donna Dugan, Tasha Irvine, Julia Janak, Katy Ransom, Wendy Eckert, Casey Sommers

Principal's Report - Julie Breidenbach

Pup Press will become electronic in form within the next two weeks - Julie will do another Robo call from the school messenger system to let parents know that we are transitioning over from hard copy. Next Thursday will be both hard and electronic copies - by the 23rd, it will be electronic only.

President's Report - Sharmila Williams

We are seeking volunteers to be on the Nominating Committee for PTA Board Members. Current PTA presidents cannot be on the committee. Casey Sommers has agreed to be the chair of the committee this year. We will advertise for volunteers at the January and March PTA General Meetings.

Casey Sommers expressed interest in assuming the Volunteer Coordinator responsibilities.

Outgoing Board positions that need to be filled are -

Co-President
Secretary
Annual Fund Coordinator

The PTA now has the ability to send e-mails to some or all of the class lists. Tasha can send these via our SharePoint account.

The Golden Acorn award is a great way to recognize the hard work and dedication of our volunteers. Tasha will research the procedure for nominations and we can discuss this at our next Board meeting.

The PTA Standing Rules need to be updated to make processes easier and faster. The revised rules include some minor updates and two larger changes: providing flexibility to the Board to approve budget changes without the approval of the general membership and creating a donation plan so we can accept donated securities. The revised rules need to be approved by general membership at the next PTA meeting.

Fundraising Report - Casey Sommers

Our fundraising goal is \$130K. There is a very big push for participation at this time.

Opportunity Grant Update - Tasha Irvine

Ms. Kaloper's Opportunity Grant to attend a counseling workshop has been approved.

Volunteer Update - Wendy Eckert

We need to recruit a volunteer to chair Teacher Appreciation Week. We can also see if a parent wants to organize a Thurgood Marshall group to attend a Mariner's game together. Tasha has information and contact information from the Mariner's office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.