

## **BCES PTA General Assembly Minutes Monday, September 18, 2017**

**Call to Order** – A general meeting of the Bell’s Crossing Elementary School (hereby known as BCES) Parent Teacher Association (hereby known as PTA) General Assembly was held at Bell’s Crossing Elementary School in Simpsonville, SC on September 18. There were approximately 300 people in attendance in the cafeteria. The meeting convened at 6:03pm, President-Elect Lindsay Howell presiding.

**PTA Board Members in Attendance** – Lindsay Howell, Holly Dowling, Stephanie Metcalf, Amber Lenger, Diana Hinojos, Arianna Ellerbe, Christine Way, Christopher Ross

**Introduction of 2017 – 2018 PTA Executive Board Officers** – Board members for the 2017-2018 school year were introduced.

- President – Gretchen Pace
- President Elect – Lindsay Howell
- VP Ways & Means – Stephanie Metcalf
- VP Volunteers – Arianna Ellerbe
- VP Communications – Amber Lenger
- VP Programs & Services – Diana Hinojos
- Secretary – Holly Dowling
- Treasurer – Christine Way
- Membership – Becky Sowers

**Presentation and approval of 2017 – 2018 budget** – Christine Way presented the current budget. Melinda Davidson motioned to approve the budget. Seconded by many and approved without dissent.

**Approval of minutes from April 24, 2017 General Assembly** – Holly Dowling presented the minutes from the April 24, 2017 General Assembly meeting. Melinda Davidson motioned the minutes be approved. Seconded by many and approved without dissent.

**PTA membership report** – Memberships can still be purchased for \$5.

**Report on Carnival** - Eaglefest 2017 is coming September 29! Silent Auction looks to be full of great items this year, including tickets to Disney! Carnival ticket presales begin tomorrow, Tuesday, September 19. Be on the lookout for more volunteer needs and requested donation items. We need your help!

**Reflections** – All Reflections entries will be collected on October 26 and 27 from 7:30-7:55 am in the cafeteria. More information about Reflections can be found in the foyer tonight.

**PTA Fundraising** – The PTA proudly presented Mr. Ross and BCES a check for \$25,000 from last year’s fundraising initiatives. This money was carried over into this year’s budget and has already begun paying for new iPads and fitness trackers. Mr. Ross has a few other things that we will be purchasing for the school as well. Thank you to each and every family for their help in raising this money.

**The PTA portion of the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 pm.**

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