Minutes

# Laurel Mountain PTA Minutes

General Meeting May 20, 2016

Michele Martin called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

## Minutes

Copies of the minutes from the PTA general meeting held on April 19, 2016 were printed for review and approved.

**Treasurer’s statement**

Copies of the treasurer’s report were printed for review and are available online. The Treasure’s Report was filed for audit.

**Executive Committee Reports**

Executive Board Meeting report for the Executive Board Meeting on May 17, 2016

Principal’s Report—Jan Richards spoke about RRISD competitive grants for educational opportunities at 3 levels. LME will likely apply for Tier 2 and Tier 3 (Exemplar). Ideas for grant money include expanding outdoor learning areas, adding kitchen to science lab, making preserve trails ADA compliant and easier for younger students to enjoy, and adding a pavilion to property’s original slab. They will need parent and teacher reps on committee as they move forward with grant writing process. Jan also informed members that both playgrounds will be replaced this summer as well as the change to the school day hours next year (7:40am-2:50pm) in order to avoid bad weather days (state will be counting attendance in minutes instead of days).

**Standing Committees**

**Anna Mitchell Scholarship Presentation –** Vicki Walker presented the scholarship award check to Hannah Willette, a WWHS senior who had attended LME.

**2016-2017 Budget Review and Approva**l—The Budget Committee met May 19 to establish the budget for the 2016-2017 school year. The budget was printed for review and approved.

**Fundraising—Approve 2016-2017 Fundraisers**—1) PTA memberships, 2) Spirit gear (adding totes as an option in addition to t-shirts and dri-fit shirts), 3) Yearbook, 4) Carnival, 5) Rebates, including skate party, Catfish Parlour Night, and Phils / Amys, 6) Pride Night, 7) PTA sponsors. Moved and seconded that we approved the 2016-2017 Fundraisers.

**Approve Tax Free Day**—August 19, 2016 and October 11, 2016 were approved.

**Volunteer—Open Board Positions.** Still have open executive board positions for next year – environmental, grade-level homeroom, directory, Kinder picnic and orientation. Michelle Martin will send out requests.

**Member Appreciation**—The Top 100 Volunteers were posted for the 2015-2016 school year. PTA Life Memberships Awards were given as thanks to years of service to Laurel Mountain PTA.

**New business**

**Financial reconciliation Committee:**  We need 3 volunteers to meet this summer. Judit Kolics, Laurie Ryan, Manya Blaisdell and Suchitra Gururaj as alternate. They will decide on meeting time and present at first PTA meeting of the 2016-2017 school year.

**Adjournment --** Adjournment at 8:37 a.m.

Coffee, breakfast and fruit were served as thank you to volunteers.