

## PTA General Membership Meeting September 18, 2024

Starting Time: 6:31pm

- Welcome/Review of Mission Statement
  - PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.
- Membership Update
  - Total membership is 179, up from 148 last year.
  - Congratulations to **Ms. Perkins' 4th Grade Class** for winning the Membership Drive! They have 82.6% of students represented by a PTA member. Their Pizza Party will be held this Friday!
- Meet The Board
  - Jeremy Curcio, President
  - Jessica Harris, Vice President
  - Jill Curcio, Secretary
  - Christina Otis, Member-at-large
  - Treasurer: Vacant
- Looking Back
  - Block Party
    - Block Party was a huge success!
      - We budgeted \$2,500 for the event
        - \$2048.30 spent
        - \$225.00 revenue
        - \$1823.31 net cost (\$679.69 under budget)
  - Recent Fundraisers
    - Bulk Out of Uniform Purchases - 103 purchased raising \$823
    - September Out of Uniform Day - Raised \$339
    - Ledo's Night - Raised \$650
- Treasurer's Report
  - 2023-2024 Financial Review
    - We passed! With some notes:
    - Need to include check copies with disbursement forms
      - One disbursement form was missing the associated receipt
      - All cash verification reports need to be signed by 2 people
      - Need to attach deposit slips to cash verification forms
      - Final budget needs to be in the binder to show year end totals
    - 2024-2025 Budget Review
    - July and August Bank Reconciliation review
    - Budget Amendment
      - Transfer excess funds from Special Events -> Block Party
      - \$75 to a new budget line Student Support -> Career Day
        - Previous value \$0, to \$75
        - **Motion: all in favor!**
      - Funds to be used by Ms. Dennison in support of costs to put on Career Day.
    - \$75 to Operating Expenses -> Supplies
      - Previous value \$350, to \$425
      - Funds to be used to purchase Giveback POS machine, so we can accept card payments at events

- Motion: all in favor
    - \$525 to Staff Support -> Staff Revitalization
      - Previous value \$1,200, to \$1,725
      - Funds to be used towards purchase of new Die Cut Machine
      - **Motion: all in favor**
  - Vacancy
    - The vacancy was announced via email and Facebook on Sunday, September 15th.
    - We have selected **Allison Dubit** to fulfill the role of Treasurer for the remainder of the term
      - Allison chaired the Block Party and did an amazing job.
      - She previously held the position of Treasurer at her daughter's previous school's PTA
      - No concerns represented
- **Principal's Report**
  - Thank You
    - Supporting our school and PTA
    - Staff Appreciation Lunch
    - Block Party (Allison Dubit)
    - Membership Drive - 179
  - Calendar Reminders
    - September 27th is the midway point of the first marking period - Central Office will be reminding families to do mid-marking period checks in their parent portals
    - October 1st - Fall pictures in uniforms
    - October 3rd - No school for students - Rosh Hashanah
    - October 15th - 2 Hour Early Dismissal - Unity Day - Wear Orange
    - October 28th & 29th - 2 hour Early Dismissals - End of Marking Period 1
    - November 1st - No school for students - Teacher Workday (ES/MS Only)
    - November 5th - No school for students - Election Day
  - School Updates
    - Completed our required drills for September - 1st Fire Drill, Bus Evacuation Drill
    - i-Ready 1-5, DIBELS testing K-3 ongoing
    - Chromebook distribution - expected by Sept. 30th
    - 5th Grade will have our first field trip of the year - Water Ready with Drownproofing in October
    - District Assessments Begin October 16th - Grades 3-5
    - Literary Parade on October 31st - similar to last year's format
  - Miscellaneous
    - Attendance will be a focus again this school year - SIP & SIT
    - Tardiness - after 8:00 requires parent sign in
    - Huge improvement - chronically absent students decreased by 14%
    - Impact on student achievement
    - 17 absences or less
- 2024-2025 Plans
  - Monthly PTA Newsletters
    - Keeping you up-to-date about what is coming up from the PTA
  - Restaurant Nights
    - Bubba's 33 (Oct 2)
    - Chipotle (Dec 14)

- Fundraiser Events
  - MD Corn Maze (Sept 28)
  - Skating Night at Wheels (Oct 19)
  - Willow Oaks Holiday Light Walk (Dec 12)
- Community Events
  - Movie Night (Oct 11)
  - Fun Run and Vendor Fair (Nov 3)
  - Story Night (Nov 13)
  - Winter Gala (Dec 6)
- Product Fundraisers
  - Charleston Wrap (October)
- And this is just the first half of the year! If you have ideas, please let us know. The spring is still wide open.
- Call for Volunteers
  - We have a lot planned! We can't do it alone. We are looking for committee chairs for our upcoming major events:
    - Fun Run
    - Story Night
    - Dessert Auction
    - Winter Gala
  - Background Checks
    - <https://www.aacps.org/page/chaperonevolunteer-background-investigations/>
  - Local support
    - We have forged partnerships with local NHS groups and community members to take the load off of parents/guardians/staff, but having additional hands would be great
  - Duties at events
    - Greeting,
    - Set up/clean up,
    - running activity stations,
    - distributing snacks, etc.
  - Chess Club
    - We are looking for a staff member to be the faculty sponsor of chess club. If you are interested in supporting this club please let us know.
- Box Tops for Education
  - Last year we raised \$220
  - Currently we have earned \$145.40, but it's still very early in the year
    - Download the app by scanning the QR code
    - Select Quarterfield Elementary School
    - Enter referral code IRP10HQR
    - Scan your first receipt and earn 25 Bonus Box Tops (now through 05/31/2025, while supplies last!)
- Yearbook Theme Vote
  - Over the coming weeks students will be able to vote for this year's Yearbook theme from:
    - Coming All Together
    - Galloping Forward Together
    - Stronger Together
  - Once a theme is selected the cover contest will begin.
- What's Coming Up
  - September/October

- September 28 - MD Corn Maze
  - October - Charleston Wrap Fundraiser
  - October 2 - Bubba's 33 Restaurant Night
  - October 3 - Schools Closed
  - October 4 - Out of Uniform Day
    - Bulk Out of Uniform still available - Save \$1 and the stress of paying each each month ([qes.givebacks.com/store](https://qes.givebacks.com/store))
  - October 11 - Movie Night
  - October 15 - 2hr Early Dismissal
  - October 19 - Skate Night at Wheels
  - October 28, 29 - 2hr Early Dismissal
- November (what's coming before we meet again!)
  - November 1 - Schools Closed
  - November 3 - Fun Run and Vendor Fair
  - November 5 - Schools Closed
  - November 8 - Out of Uniform Day
  - November 11-15 - Book Fair
  - November 13 - Story Night
- MD Corn Maze
  - When: September 28th
  - What: QES at MD Corn Maze
  - How: Use code QES24 when purchasing tickets online at MDCornMaze.com or mentioned QES when buying tickets in person day of
  - Ok, but what: MD Corn Maze is an 8-acre maze along with other activities like a jump pad, petting farm, zip lines, tight ropes, hayrides, giant bubbles, and more!
- Charleston Wrap
  - Flyers will be coming home in early October
  - All orders will be placed online and delivered directly to the purchaser
  - Students will be able to win prizes based on products sold
- Wheels
  - October 19, 2024
    - 5:00 - 7:00 PM
    - 1200 Odenton Road, Odenton, MD
  - Tickets are \$7 per skater in advance
    - Can be purchased with cash/check - Flyer coming home in October
    - Can be purchased online at [qes.givebacks.com](https://qes.givebacks.com)
  - Skate Rentals are \$4
  - Skate Helpers are \$5
- New Business
  - None
- Adjournment at 7:19pm

**Attendees:**

Jeremy Curcio, PTA President  
Jess Harris, PTA Vice President  
Jill Curcio, PTA Secretary  
Allie Dubit, incoming Treasurer

Brandon Haslun, QES Principal  
Nicole Levy, QES Vice Principal

1. Amanda
2. April Brewer
3. Ashley Pollock
4. Ashley Gray
5. Benjamin Mazyck
6. Ceanne Fusting
7. Emily Alexander
8. Erin Perkins
9. Gabby Kierman
10. Gina Cunningham
11. Gina Smith
12. Jenny Bloemendaal
13. Jessica Dennison
14. Jessica Sweet
15. Javon Daffeh
16. Jose Lopez
17. Justine Swangler
18. Kara Harrelson
19. Katie Tores
20. Larry Smith
21. Lindsey Brewer
22. Megan Lopez
23. Misty Matesic
24. Monique McDowell
25. Nicole Mazyck
26. Prabhjot Sidhu
27. Randeep Sidhu
28. Regina Fennell
29. Shomaila Gardez
30. Tracy Emmerson