

# Level Creek PTA General Meeting

August 16, 2024 9:30 AM

#### 19 in attendance

#### Welcome

Level Creek is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year and will be doing a special tile wall for all students and staff. Any questions refer to Kayla Chesser.

### Introduce 2024-2025 Board

New board members are:

- Jaime Jacobs as President
- Damaris Santamaria, Kayla Chesser, Jessica Calvert and Jenni Okuda as Vice Presidents
- Kimberly Canon as Treasurer
- Liz Winn as Secretary

### Approval of the Minutes from May 29, 2024

The new bylaws approved in the last board meeting have been submitted to Georgia PTA and are waiting approval.

Motion to approve by Jenni Okuda and second by Kim Canon.

## **Future PTA General Meeting Dates**

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## Remarks and Q&A with Mr. Skelton

School projection numbers are looking good and there has been no displacement of teachers. Class sizes are looking good with 3rd and 4th Grade the highest classes with 26 per class. Kindergarten and 5th Grade classes have good numbers, with 5th grade down to 22-23 per class.

Mr Skelton offered to put out a personal call for parent volunteers If there are any PTA committee positions that are struggling to be filled (via morning news announcements, newsletter video or by asking APs or teachers for parent volunteers).

There are several existing staff members with new roles. Reena Sharma (long term para pro) completed her teaching degree and has her own Kindergarten class. Johanna Hubbard (1st Grade para pro) is the substitute 1st Grade teacher while Mrs Martinez is on maternity leave until October. Nicole Higgins and Ashley Mostaghimi have stepped into the role as 3rd Grade teachers.

There are only two new hires to the school. Liz Hildago, a student teacher at the school for the past year and a half is now the new 4th Grade DLI teacher. Deandra Henderson is the new 5th Grade teacher.

The school is looking at moving field day to October because the month of May is busy and so bad weather alternative dates can be scheduled. The proposed dates are October 7-9th prior to fall break.

#### <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

This budget is tentative because waiting on the cost of the 20th anniversary of the school opening tile wall. The current estimate of \$8000 but it includes all students and staff members and so this is not confirmed. The main fundraising goal of the PTA is to continue the renovations of the media center, working to make updates and upgrades throughout the space. The PTA is also looking at replacing the dirt floor on the gaga pit in the playground.

Vote to approve 2024-25 Budget.

Motion to approve the 2024-25 budget by Jessica Calvert and second by Leslie Mundy. Budget is approved for 2024-25.

## **Membership Update**

Shaheda Zaman is leading membership again this year. As of today we have 198 members with a 50/50 split of online and on paper memberships. So far there are:

- 18 Bronze members
- 53 Silver Members
- 9 Gold Members
- 6 Platinum Members



### **VP updates:**

#### **Vice President Damaris Santamaria**

- Heritage Night: No update.
- Media Center: No update.
- Multicultural: No update.
- 5th Grade: No update.
- Special Events: This committee is working to put together the Party on the Playground next Friday night, August 23. The invites are in the Friday folders. They are also working on a tentative movie night in November.

#### **Vice President Jessica Calvert**

- Spirit Wear: Next Friday, Aug. 23 is cutoff for spirit wear. The committee will offer additional spirit wear for winter later in the fall.
- Arts in Ed: This is in the works.
- Faculty & Staff: The committee is planning a coffee bar for the first digital day on September 13, with two baristas and 2 hours of unlimited coffee drinks. This is in lieu of the monthly birthday cupcakes. The coffee bar will be funded by PTA and then the committee will determine what they will do next quarter.
- Environmental: No update.
- School Supply Box: Thanks to the parents and kids who helped distribute the boxes.
  There were 506 boxes ordered and \$2500 raised for the school.
- Spring Carnival: To be held in early 2025, we are looking for a committee chair.
- Earning for Learning: No update.

#### Vice President Jenni Okuda

- Science Fair: No update.
- All Pro Dads: The first All Pro Dads will be held on September 13 with the theme being purpose. The other dates and themes are as follows 10/25 Self Discipline, 11/22 Thankfulness, 1/24 Humility, 2/21 Trustworthy, 3/21 Empathy, 4/25 TBD, 5/9 All Pro Moms at North Gwinnett Church. We are checking if All Pro Moms can be switched to April as May is so busy for parents.
- Kindness: No update.
- Yearbook: Tonya George is looking for a volunteer to shadow her as this is her last year at the school.



## **Vice President Kayla Chesser**

- Classroom Coordinators: The Classroom Coordinators meeting will be held next Friday August 23rd at 9.30am in the cafeteria.
- Reflections: No update.
- Original Works: This year will be the school's 20th anniversary tile wall project.
- Talent Show: No update.

# Know what is going on!

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- Level Creek PTA Facebook Group <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/levelcreekpta/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/levelcreekpta/</a>
- Website: www.levelcreekpta.org
- Instagram <a href="https://www.instagram.com/levelcreekpta/">https://www.instagram.com/levelcreekpta/</a>

## **Meeting Adjourned**