



**Glasgow Middle School PTA Meeting Minutes – Adopted by electronic vote** (12 in favor / 0 opposed)  
**February 11, 2020 – 5th meeting of the school year**

**Board Members’ Attendance:**

Position	Name	Present	Absent
President	Gina Pizziconi-Cupples	X	
VP, Organization & Outreach	Jenna White		X
VP, School Activities	Sandy Bentkofsky & Lisa Farkas	X , X	
VP, Communications	Byron Schrecker	X	
Treasurer	Becky Cranna	X	
Secretary	Amina Khan	X	

**Spanish Translator:** Spanish speaking parent used  
**Estimated Attendance:** 130

The meeting began at 7:05 p.m., adjourned at 7:50pm and took place in the Cafeteria.

President Gina Pizziconi-Cupples welcomed everyone and included the following mentions/actions:

- Motioned to approve minutes from Dec 10, 2019; motion was seconded & passed via voice vote
- Motioned to approve nominating committee for PTA Executive Board: Erica Meeks, Colleen Bucher, and David Brookes-Weiss
- Treasurer’s report was mentioned and copies were readily available for meeting attendees
  - o Motioned and approved via voice vote a revision to the Teacher’s Grants line in the amount of \$1,100.00
  - o The adjustment reflects the contribution made from Glasgow Middle School to support the fall program
- Upcoming events and volunteer opportunities @ Glasgow:
  - o Spelling Bee: Feb 12, 2020
  - o Hoop it Up Basketball Extravaganza: Mar 24, 2020
  - o Book Fair: April 14-17, 2020
  - o Literacy Night: April 14, 2020
- Next PTA meeting – April 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM – topic: Dangers of Vaping

Rountable discussion on Course Registration with Katie Madigan, Acting Principal of Glasgow MS, Joash Hung, Director of Student Services, and Greg Frantz, School Counselor:

**Course Registration Process:**

- Students are in the process of selecting their courses for next year
- School Counselors meet 1 on 1 with each student to discuss student interests, career interests, class options, and inquire if students have discussed classes with parents as well

- School Counselors have finished meeting with rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders to assist them with course selections for next school year in high school.
- Next week, school counselors will meet with rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders
- Beginning 2/17/2020, school counselors will meet with rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders
- Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders have completed their paperwork for next year's course selections

**Online Course Registration:**

- This year FCPS moving to students selection courses online through SIS.
- Parents may view course selections through Parent Vue (Mobile App available as well)
- Counselors then review online course selection during student's 1 on 1 meeting
- Students will be trained in this process during Panther Time
- Ms. Donovan will send Parent Vue app information to families as well
- Parents no longer have to sign course registration paperwork for rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders since everything will be completed online

**Additional Information discussed:**

- Justice High School is an International Baccalaureate (IB) School. And Glasgow primarily feeds into this high school. Glasgow is an IB MYP program and foreign language credits during middle school can help a student qualify for the high school IB diploma.
- FCPS working on developing an IB bilingual diploma as well
- For bilingual students – can take the World Language Credit exam during middle school and earn up to 3 credits towards high school graduation and IB diploma.
- Nonnative English speakers may also receive foreign language credit for taking English
- AVID program (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is offered to Glasgow MS students. The student must complete an application and an interview
  - This program provides students guidance on career development, study skills, time management and organization to help with school right now
  - Applications for the 2020-2021 school year are already closed.
  - Applications for the 2021-2022 school year will be available in Sept 2020 until November 2020

Katie Madigan and presenters thanked all the parents for attending and questions were answered.

Gina closed with thanking the presenters, reminding attendees about upcoming volunteer opportunities, and thanking everyone for attending.

Respectfully recorded on February 11, 2020 by Amina Khan, Glasgow PTA Secretary and submitted on February 13, 2020 by Amina Khan, Glasgow PTA Secretary.