



Sabin PTA Meeting
February 11, 2026
TIME 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
School Auditorium

Attendance: Emily Leuning, Jenna Moran, Meredith Guardino, Sara Lewis, Ben Friedland, Bryant, Andrew Busch, Bryan, Val Meehan, Shirley Howe, Geetha Beauchamp, Courtney Stiven, Robin Rolfe, Madeleine Allen, Don Smith

Called to order at 6:37

- Welcome (5 min)
 - introductions
- New business (PTA) (20 min)
 - Spring Carnival
 - Thursday May 7 evening
 - 2 ice cream carts this year, along with tacos and pizza
 - Could there be a leadership role for 5th graders
 - Need donations for the spring raffle carnival fundraiser. Currently contacting more than 500 businesses.
 - Volunteer Needs
- OBOB
 - 13 teams - 65 or so kids
- School Updates (Principal Madeleine) (10 min)
 - Frustrated at the lateness of school canceling, but grateful for how fast contractors and repair people were on site to fix the problem. First floor bathrooms were closed Wed 2/11 and will remain closed likely for a few days
 - Pipe burst in the ceiling of the 2nd floor, which required shutting off the water
 - SES classrooms are fully staffed across all grades with regular, consistent teachers. Already seeing benefits of the consistency. Students coming to school more, spending more time with peers, eating more in cafeteria.
 - Occupational therapist (Katie) comes in weekly to work with students

- Training happening for teachers
- Concerted effort to get teachers together to learn from each other and share strategies
- Discussion around how air conditioners are distributed among schools in PPS and if there is a role for PTA. Is there an opportunity for PTA fundraising to rent a generator.
- PPS facing budget cuts, and elementary schools across the K-5 system will have blended classrooms. The blends at Sabin will be first and second grade. Three classes of blends of approximately 27-29 1-2nd grade.
 - Curriculum for first and second grade are similar
 - Many of the teachers have taught blends before
 - No co-teaching
 - There will only be 1 4th grade teacher again next year
 - Three teachers will be retiring, but the rest of the teachers will remain.
 - There will not be an assistant principal next year. That is consistent with many of the elementary schools in PPS
 - There is an opportunity for advocacy at the state level around how education is funded
 - Acknowledges difficult time in music. The music program at Sabin is bigger than any one person. Not considering eliminating the music program. Committed to getting music at Sabin in a better place.
 - Principal Madeleine is gathering feedback about the music program but doesn't control the outcome.
 - The district controls which elective teacher are .4, based on the number of kids in the school. 6 classes for art and music per day, 5 for library. The district controls the allocation of resources.
 - Sabin is lucky that we have consistency in the enrichment teachers, some schools have, for example, one art teacher some days and another art teacher on other days.
 - Trying to change the name from SES program to Dual Enrolled.
 - Sabin received money for 10 hours a week for recess/safety support

- Discussion around the garden space and how it could be better incorporated into the curriculum, beyond sun school. Previous garden coordinator was more integrated into the school.
 - Discussion around why Black Excellence night is not happening this year. Advertising Tubman’s event. PTA sponsoring efforts to content creation/distribution in school and baked goods.
 - Plan is to continue it next year
 - Needs to be communicated better. Planning to include in family newsletter.
- Upcoming events (5 min)

Adjournment at 7:36 pm

Upcoming Events:

- Feb 11 - General Meeting
- Feb 13 - PTA Coffee / Staff Coffee
- Feb 18 - Dine Out for Sabin, The Sports Bra noon - 10 pm
- March 13 - PTA Coffee / Staff Coffee
- March 18 - General Meeting

Sabin PTA 2023-24 Meeting Schedule

Board Meetings <i>First Wednesdays, 5:30 pm</i>	General Meetings <i>Third Wednesdays @ 5:30p</i>
----------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------

The Sabin PTA’s mission is to make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. The Sabin PTA welcomes anyone who wants to be involved and make a difference in the education, health, and welfare of our children. We serve as a supportive resource for ideas and initiatives that align with our mission and values; we strive to provide Sabin community members with information, funding, volunteer resources, logistical support and communication tools to implement their ideas. We also work to keep our community members informed, involved and invested in school activities and other efforts to advocate for our children.

Helpful Links:

Join PTA online: oregonpta.org/membership

Sign up for PPS Remind App: pps.net/Page/15513

Sabin Community Facebook: facebook.com/groups/2410041989334

Sabin PTA Facebook: facebook.com/sabinpta

Instagram: instagram.com/sabin_school_community

Website: Sabinpta.com
