1. **Call to Order:** 6:30pm
2. **Attendance:** Rodney Walker, Melissa Batchelder, William DeKray, Vicki DeKray, Michelle Wirsching, Fran Wirsching, Erika Tisdale, Rebecca Baldwin, Mallory Noble, Aaiza Akhtar, Aubrey Malulevich, Katara Gillespie, Ossawa Gillespie, Myrero Leckhar, Christina Steinebu, Brooke Binder
3. **Quorum:**
   1. Quorum was met as everyone who voted paid dues that evening.
4. **Mission:** To make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.
5. **Introductions:**
   1. Principal and Melissa Batchelder introduced themselves and teachers in attendance.
6. **Principal’s Report:**
   1. Adjustments to the car rider line have been working.
   2. Uniforms have been going well. So have the t-shirt orders through the school. They are looking to do sweaters next.
   3. Due to redistricting student numbers are a bit down, 920, a few hundred under where we have been previously.
   4. Once the Spanish teacher is hired we will have a full faculty, we currently have 130.
   5. We are currently a 2 star school and we want to get to 5 stars. Looking at the next two years to make that happen.
   6. Attendance is important. 15 or more absences is considered chronically absent. We do have students that have been absent over 80 days, so he wants to encourage attendance.
   7. Went over MCAP scores and shared that we are using iReady. He has shared that he will highlight why iReady is still a good tool at the middle school level at the back to school night.
   8. Suspension and referrals have been down since this time last year.
   9. Cell phone policy enforcement has gone well.
   10. Started outdoor recess. He wants to look at adding a reading opportunity in the library, and perhaps a movie option.
   11. Middle school sports are coming back in the Spring starting with track. More information will come out in late Winter, early Spring. Next Fall will bring other sports being offered.
   12. Marquee is working.
   13. Discussed what he hopes to do this year, with PTA
       1. Hallways signs (Roomtags)
       2. Teacher engagement/support
       3. $5 gift cards to hand out to parents at principal’s discretion. I.e. Parents in the car line.
7. **2024-2026 PTA Board Elections:**
   1. Floor Nominations:
      1. None
   2. Election by secret ballot:
      1. President: Mallory Noble
      2. 1st VP of Fundraising: Rebecca Baldwin
      3. 2nd VP of Communication: Katara Gillespie
      4. Secretary: Mary (Fran) Wirsching
      5. Treasurer: Michelle Wirsching
8. **Volunteer Opportunities:**
   1. Pink/Red Fingerprint Cards
      1. Send completed ones to Melissa Batchelder, she will track them.
         1. m.bathcelder@aacps.org
      2. Fingerprint day, possible collaboration with Linthicum Elementary PTA discussed.
9. **Adjournment: 7:40pm**