

Quorum – Mai, Cynthia, Maira, Melinda, Candia
Staff Liaison – Veronica and Saarah
Council Members Liaisons– Jimmy
Other attendance – Kevin Ward, Pam Boozer-Strother, Sandra Shepard, Lt. S Ratty
Other attendees – 3 community members

School bus shortages?

Pam B-S states shortages around the country, longer routes for students who go to specialties schools. Swings schools Robert Goddard is arriving earlier and on time verses Meadowbrook. Transportation recording system. Bi-Weekly virtual bus driver job fairs. Asking parents and schools to be transparent.

Maria D. ask about breakfast being provided for late bus arrivals? And COVID restrictions what are they for students to be on the buses?

Pam B-S states that windows are required to be down at least 4 inches to manage airflow. Not sure about breakfast but believes it is happening.

Mai A-R ask

40 cars per day coming on average to the Meadowbrook location. With these numbers most students are utilizing the bus system.

On January 31st, 2022, students at Meadow Brook will consolidate at Robert Goddard. Buses will consolidate as well.

HB72 Maryland new legislations allows more than school busses to be used for transportation in schools: which could allow more types of vehicles to transport students. This could help with special programs for special education schools. These could be van. Ready to go regulations to be finalized in March of 2022.

Mai A-R ask

Pam B-S , WMATA Bus is another option for students to get to school.

Mai A-R ask if afternoon snack for those who arrive home after 6:00 pm.

Pam – explain official count of late busses and supper meals shortages After Jan. 31st no longer hosting virtual school for younger students who could not be vaccinated.

Free bus ride on PG bus system The Bus
School start times and bus schedules to be reviewed

Parents will need to advocate for bus routes to pull bus stops

JB – an attendee notes: The City could contract with companies like The Student Cab
<https://thestudentcab.com/> to help families transport kids to school.

Contracts for other school transportation program.

Sandra S – Moving forward to meet with each schools' principals, community school liaisons, and parent engagement, with Mayor and City Administrator.

Kevin W –

Sandra S –

Ratty – Incident and climate no major increase in schools. And that is a good thing, no major issues.

Mai – School bus incident, school cafeteria

18:26:51 From City of Hyattsville - Committees to Cynthia Totten, Host and Panelists:

Hi Cynthia! You can accept the promotion to panelist so you can join the meeting.

18:33:18 From JB to Host and Panelists:

No. I am not on the committee.

18:48:31 From JB to Everyone:

Parents with StopFinder registration issues can email Ms Constance Brown
constance.brown@pgcps.org

18:49:24 From Mai Abdul Rahman to Host and Panelists:

Thank you

18:50:33 From Cynthia Totten to Host and Panelists:

Candida is listening through my phone. She was unable to join via zoom

18:53:44 From Mai Abdul Rahman to Host and Panelists:

Veronica if not much trouble kindly translate for Candida

18:54:46 From Cynthia Totten to Host and Panelists:

She says she's ok, she understands

19:02:44 From JB to Everyone:

Drivers of vans also won't need a CDL license. That should help us hire more drivers.

19:22:27 From JB to Everyone:

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19:23:39 From Mai Abdul Rahman to Everyone:

Traditional taxi cabs as well

19:28:54 From Cynthia Totten to Host and Panelists:

Candida is on now under her daughter's name, Sharick

19:36:30 From JB to Everyone:

Yes, thank you for your service!

19:40:39 From JB to Everyone:

Sign up for free reading tutoring with PGCPs and BookNook!

<https://app.booknooklearning.com/caregiver/landing?program=87>

19:42:09 From Pamela Boozer-Strother to Host and Panelists:

Bus drive online fair, next session is Dec. 15th - <https://www.pgcps.org/drivewithus>

19:43:35 From Candida Garcia to Host and Panelists:

Thank you Pamela for your presentation.

19:44:30 From Pamela Boozer-Strother to Host and Panelists:

Thank you for having me! I look forward to future meetings and to working together!

19:50:19 From Candida Garcia to Host and Panelists:

sandra por favor me comparte la informacion de los flyer conmigo 301-613-8707

19:51:03 From Candida Garcia to Host and Panelists:

mi correo electronico es candidarosa82@yahoo.com

19:52:04 From Pamela Boozer-Strother to Everyone:

Please refer me to any PGCPs parents who need support on any issues. Some parents are new to advocating for their children and need a partner to help them take those first steps.

Pamela Boozer-Strother

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