

COMMITTEES: The Standing Committees may include:

Annual Appeal	School Supplies	Basketball
Tour de Ladd	Battle of the Books	Chili Cook Off
Auction	Carnival	Communications
Garden After School	Grounds	Holiday Shoppe
Kindergarten Roundup	Fun Run	Yearbook
Harvest Social	Safe Routes to School	Spanish Program
School Kitchen Garden		

The President may, with the approval of a majority vote of the Officers in attendance at the meeting where such approval is sought, appoint Special Committees as deemed appropriate. Special Committees go out of existence after work is completed and the Board receives a report.

FUNDRAISERS: The annual fundraisers may include:

Auction
Fun Run
Tour de Ladd
Annual Appeal

Additional fundraisers may be initiated as needed by a majority vote at a Community Meeting.

BUDGET:

Each year, the Board shall approve a budget prepared by the General Ledger/Treasurer for the following school year. The budget shall be reviewed and approved by June 1st. The PTA board will approve in June any expense (such as school supplies for teachers, garden assistant salary and any consulting fees we may incur) to be paid prior to the beginning of the next school year. Up to 10% of the total budget will be considered discretionary for the purpose of amending it. Such amendments will be based on formal requests to the Board and approval by a majority of Board members. Approval may be conducted at a regular Board meeting or via e-mail communication by individual Board members.

At a Community Meeting during a school year, the General Membership may elect to grant the PTA board the authority so that when school is not in session it may transfer funds to other fundraising Abernethy organizations if consensus is reached among the Abernethy Principal and PTA Board. The limit for discretionary spending changes by the PTA Board, by such authorization by the General Membership, shall be raised from 10% to 20% of the total budget.

In order to ensure the financial security of the Abernethy PTA, budgeted funds that are unspent at the conclusion of any fiscal year will be rolled over and held in a reserved Emergency Fund. The Emergency Fund may grow to be up to 15% of the total annual budget. In order to access these funds, the PTA Board must conduct an in-person vote to approve the expenditure. If the requested emergency expenditure meets or exceeds 10% of the total budget and is approved by the Board, an additional General Membership vote to approve the expenditure is required.

VOTING:

Each PTA member is entitled to one (1) vote according to their membership level. A general member vote may be required for the PTA to establish a new fundraiser, allocate PTA funds to a special project, accept a special project or advocacy effort requiring PTA activity, fill officer vacancies, or approve Standing Rules and the annual PTA budget.

Each PTA Officer position is entitled to one (1) board member vote. Topics for board member voting throughout the year may include proposals to be taken to general membership, board position nominations, appointing standing committee chairs, or special committee creation.

In both general member voting and officer voting, votes may be conducted at