

Introducing the 2020-21 Bay Vista PTA Board

The Bay Vista PTA is excited to announce our new Board members for the 2020-2021 school year! Find out a little bit about our new officers below:

Megan Diehl, President

The 2020-2021 school year will be the Diehls' third as a Bay Vista family with their daughter, Amelia, moving into 2nd Grade. Megan served on the Board this past year and is excited to continue to serve the Bay Vista community, engaging families, supporting teachers and staff, and ensuring the students have the resources and tools they need to thrive. Professionally, Megan works with educators across the country by leading a national program to support the physical, social, and emotional health of students and staff. She is proud to have the privilege to directly contribute to the success of Bay Vista and encourages all families to get involved with PTA to make our school the best it can be! Reach out to us with your thoughts and ideas any time!

Dawn McCoy, Vice-President, Volunteer Coordinator/Community Outreach

This coming year will make eight years at Bay Vista for Dawn's family and her fourth year on the PTA Board as the Vice President of Membership. Being a PTA member has led her to meeting many amazing parents and teachers at Bay Vista. She looks forward to working with all of you as we continue to make Bay Vista the best school for our kids! If you have any questions or want to know how you can help the PTA, feel free to stop her in the halls or email PTA.

Shanna Godonis, Vice-President, Fundraising and School Programs

In Shanna's professional career, she was a graphic designer and artist. She has been a stay at home mom for 12 years, and her three kids keep her very busy. Her children, Shelby in second grade, Sander in fourth grade, and Soli in eighth grade, have all enjoyed being students at Bay Vista Fundamental. Bay Vista has been her home away from home, and she has played a key role in supporting numerous PTA events and activities over the years. She is very excited to serve as chair of fundraising. She looks forward to seeing everybody back at school next year!

Kate Lamb, Treasurer

Kate is excited to start another year at Bay Vista. Ben will be in 3rd Grade, and Charlotte will be moving to 1st Grade. She has met so many great families and learned so much about the school through PTA. She looks forward to what this year will bring. Please feel free to email the PTA with any questions or issues.

Heather Duncan, Secretary

Heather is a St. Petersburg native, and product of Pinellas County Schools! Her oldest daughter, Liliana, just finished Kindergarten and her youngest daughter, Olivia is hoping to be a Bay Vista Jaguar in August 2021. As a professor of education, Heather is committed to providing access and opportunity to all students. As a PTA Board member, she is looking forward to connecting more meaningfully with the Bay Vista family, while assisting with efforts to engage and empower families and community stakeholders for the benefit of the students and staff at Bay Vista Fundamental School.

Email Board members with your thoughts and questions any time at <u>bayvistapta@gmail.com</u>.

We'd also like to thank the tireless efforts of the 2019-2020 Bay Vista PTA Board (Doug Franzese, President; Dawn McCoy, VP, Membership; Cheryl Dion, VP, Fundraising; Kate Lamb, Treasurer; Megan Diehl, Secretary), PTA members, teachers and numerous volunteers who spent countless hours supporting the Bay Vista community throughout the year. We accomplished A LOT this past year and had a ton of fun while doing it. Our fearless leader, Doug, shared some of his favorite moments:

"Some of the highlights for me this year were the Family Dinner night (and how HOT it was), the Fall Festival and the super creative pumpkins (and cheeseburgers!), the too cool for school tie-dye shirts, all the \$ raised from the spirit nights, the beautification improvements in the turtle garden, and also just how much FUN the students and teachers had at our 4th annual (first ever) self-managed Fun Run. Lots to be proud of this year for sure!"

Thank you, Doug, and to everyone who contributed to making 2019-20 such a great year!

We're looking forward to another successful year in 2020-2021 engaging families, teachers, and students in making Bay Vista the best it can be! We know we may have some unchartered waters ahead us in the coming year, but working together, we can ensure students and staff have everything they need be successful. Contact us with your thoughts at bayvistapta@gmail.com.