

PTO minutes from 3/20/24 Meeting
[6th meeting of the 2023-2024 school year]

Introductions & sign in

Interim/Transitional president Heather Eldridge

*Board Position STILL open (Pres, Vice Pres)

Group Raise Account (Restaurant Fundraisers)

As always, Thank you to Vicky J (she's put in a lot of time & work)

- March 13th had Saz's fundraiser. Waiting on final numbers from this.
- ***Saturday Apr 6th - Tess, Final Restaurant Fundraiser for this year!***
- Summary (for info - no need to discuss)
 - Oct Saz's \$559.48
 - Nov Papa John's \$241.36
 - Dec Lou Malnatti's \$151.41 + \$165.19
 - Jan Jersey Mike's \$245.54 (snow storm & no school)
 - Krispy Kreme (ran Nov-Dec) \$530.38

Next month (April's meeting) we will look at all numbers, to determine what went well & how to do things next year. Consider ear-marking months for next year? Can/Should we run Krispy Kreme all year? & how did that go. Is there a limit? On schools, etc. When do we get paid out for Krispy Kreme? (Questions to present to Vicky- Will she help run the Group Raise again next year & her thoughts on it.)

Other Fundraiser

- Fall Fundraiser Date - Should set up this year (Club's Choice) Pick-up is generally about a month after we turn in forms, so keep timing in mind. We need to plan this out. I.e. run it in October? Will discuss it at the April meeting.
- Is there a Popcorn place? Double Good Popcorn gives 50% back. Avg \$11 for box. Delivered (no p/u to coordinate). Popcorn and other ideas discussed.
- Companies like APEX & others to consider for next year? Plan & collect ideas for options, put out to all attendees.

Budget

Annual Budget reviewed (budgeted vs. actual)

Deadline for Teacher Reimbursements this year? May 10th (confirmed post-meeting)

Questions to confirm w/ John (treasurer, not present) - what's the easiest way for you to get these (PTO mailbox/email?) To Be Confirmed.

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- Thanks Dana for being our secretary. Minutes generally are up on FB w/in a week of mtg (apologies for the delay this month! Post-spring break)

End of year picnic & Open House

- Date May 3rd, 5-7:30p (Open House 4:30-6:00 pm, Food 5:30-6:30) Cafeteria Setup
- Verified the street closing permits have been adjusted and that is set.
- Food? (Pricing on Brats vs burgers, etc. from Bunzel's research report, by parent volunteer). \$4/hot dog bun. Volume does not matter. Burger & brat is the same cost. Other options \$10/lb meat & buns separate. Other BBQ places? CostCo. & other sources/Alternative options discussed amongst the group. \$570 budget for hot food. \$275.00 budget for ice cream. People will bring dishes to share/pass as well.
- PTO will supply & Hand-Out frozen treats. Sign up? For all help. Set-up, clean-up. Maintenance & handing out ice cream, as people leave the cafeteria after eating.
- Have carts set out to collect food as people arrive & take to the cafeteria.
- Need volunteers, and maybe students to assist. Will ask 4 students to help with set-up 4:15-5:30 pm cafeteria.

MAC Update

Tracy reports Abigail Rausch (MPS Montessori Coordinator), who ran the 50th Anniversary celebration & runs the training center, received a surprise (Thank you/appreciation) cake at the MAC meeting. We really appreciate all of her efforts and dedication. Attendees discussed various topics, including budget concerns and funding concerns. She (Abigail) was charged \$8000 for the 50th Anniversary celebration unexpectedly & this was a very concerning topic raised at the meeting. Not clear how it will be resolved or what the implications are. Issues with the MPS training center & MPS University (MPS U), trying to change the dynamics of running the center and some concerns related to that. No certainty yet about what will play out with this. Budgeting concerns & issues at hand. MAC meetings are open to all so please go & this can help get our voices heard. Last one for the year is coming up (please check their website for details). Parents need to show up.

Other Business

- Election Day Bake sale
 - Tues 2/20 - made over \$120. Thanks Jill!!
 - Tues 4/2 - Next Bake Sale Coming up- watch for sign-up!

Next Meeting 4/17/24