

Call Meeting to Order at 7:05pm

In Person Attendance: Dr. Saunders, Jodi Bulmer, Kathy Parzygnat, Dawn Bartholomew, Ann Edmondson, Elise Edmondson, Warren Holman, Amy Fulk, Amy Cagle, Julie Karg, Jennifer Enzor, Joy Tanner, Kara Bundy, Sarah O'Connor, Sadie Harper, Shawn Jackson, Marla Myers, Mrs. Bartney.

Online Attendance: Michelle Keller, Catherine Brown, Scott Massey, Lyla Woodward, Sue Reynolds, Asia Chavis

PTSA President – Jodi Bulmer

- Volunteerism - YTD just a smidge under 72% engagement rate with SUG requests (258/363)
- Continued focus on facility cleaning for the next couple of months
- The added link for wish list on the SUG was a great idea (thank you hospitality!) and was well received by the parents
- Final PTSA General Meeting for this school year will be Monday May 5, 7pm. On the agenda is: set dues amount for 2024-2025; Officer Elections on the Executive Board and Summer Volunteering Events.

Principal Update – Dr. Saunders

- Allied Security Guard - These guards help with crossing the students in the morning and afternoon, putting out cones, and bust kids coming back on campus from skipping. Having trouble keeping a constant guard and the sub's have been shutting the gates when they are not supposed to be closed. Delivery driver wasn't able to make a delivery, parents were backed onto the main roads during the afternoon carpool because the gates were closed.
- Governor Roy Cooper Visit - Cooper toured MHS and met with staff and students on January 30. MHS showed off all that magnet schools can offer students. Cooper visited Agriculture Mechanics class, an IB Literature class and a Food and Nutrition II class.
- AP position has been filled but waiting for WCPSS Board to Approve and Announce the person. The new AP will start March 18, and MHS Admin will be fully staffed!
- **Building and Grounds - Dr. Saunders would like to get the 100 and 200 buildings powerwashed to remove mildew as soon as possible, especially the portions with significant mildew stains. For landscaping, the top priority includes the removal of junipers that are encroaching into parking spots and the planting of replacement vegetation. This will need to be done in stages due to the expense, and in collaboration with the Agricultural Sciences Department. Dr. Saunders has asked the PTSA Board to establish a carryforward fund to help meet these needs.**

Catherine Brown - Student Services

- Course Selection sheet and planning guide - Explain how kids can register for next year's classes. Will allow "at home" registration and counselors will do a "course audit" to ensure graduation requirements are met.
- Curriculum Night - 2/8 at 6pm, Speak to teachers and student leaders about classes.
- Parent Academy Night - 2/15 at 6pm, Several different sessions will be offered.

MEB - Elise Edmondson

- Thank you for help with Winterbash
- Winter fest - 2/16
- International Fair - March 21, March 22

Secretary Update – Kathy Parzygnat

A motion was made by Mr. Warren Holman to approve the November Minutes and seconded by Dawn Bartholomew.

- Nominations - 2024-25 Officer Positions
 - PTSA 2024-2025 Google Interest link has been shared on social media and the Principal's Weekly Message.
 - No interest has been submitted for the Executive Board Positions. Interest has been submitted for some committee positions. A Chair for WIN (Wildcats In Need) has shown strong interest, Spirit Nights have strong leads. No other updates on committees.

Treasurer's Report – Amy Cagle

- Audit 1 and 2 have been completed and passed.
- Great push for the no fuss and was only \$1400 within goal.
- Seven Educator Grants awarded - about \$300 a piece.

Officer & Committee Reports:

VP Fundraising – Shawn Jackson

- Memberships are \$12 - can join at higher levels
- Can also connect your shopping cards which give back to MHS PTSA
- Spirit Night Events - 2/12 at Chick Fil A (Falls of Neuse) from 5pm-7pm. CFA prefers you use the mobile app when ordering to help them organize the money going to MHS PTSA. In person orders are also welcomed - please mention MHS PTSA if you go inside or order from the drive thru.
- Krispy Kreme Digital Dozen - 50% of order goes back to MHS; original glazed donuts; order, receive a code, redeem code at nearest Krispy Kreme (Locations are Wake Forest and Peace St.)

VP of Staff and Students Events – Julie Karg

- Newcomer Breakfast and Welcome Back Luncheon in August
- Substitute Teacher Appreciation and Instructional Assistance Appreciation in September
- Custodian Appreciation lunch, Staff Appreciation Luncheon, Cafeteria Worker breakfast & Halloween guessing game in October
- Pick-Me-Up event with K-cups/tea in staff lounge and National Intervention Coordinator Day lunch in November
- Scarves for entire MHS staff in December
- Chili/soup luncheon for all staff In January

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 12-16: Bus Driver Appreciation (Goody bags will be given to the 27 bus drivers, Tshirts are a hope but has been hard getting sizes.)
- February 14: Pick-Me-Up-event for teachers and staff (Dr. Saunders commented this was a REAL treat and loved!)
- March 11: Breakfast drop in for teachers and staff

Reflections: Will have info at the May incoming 9th grade night! 2024-25 theme is **Accepting Imperfection**. PTSA wants to promote the Reflections Theme early so students will have the summer to work on the project if they want.

Grants - Sue Reynolds

- Educator Grants - 7 grants have been given. Some items have been fluorescent light covers, doodle boards for math class, wind ensemble music programs, special education positive behavior awards.

Academic Celebrations - Sue Reynolds, Joy Tanner

- 3.5 unweighted GPA at the end of 3rd quarter will be invited. Students will gather for an assembly, then move to the cafeteria to get certificates and snacks. Door Prizes will be collected and some ideas are: gift cards, movie passes, bowling party.
- April 24/25 - which grades on which days is still TBD; Time 8am-9am
- starts in auditorium, move to cafeteria for goodie bag hand out

Building and Grounds - Amy Fulk

- Have not heard from Ag Teachers about the google form priority list yet
- Looking into getting a tractor donated - can take care of a lot of stuff around campus and get students certified on tractors!
- Building and Grounds

Advocacy - Amy Fulk

- It's an Election Year. You can search your address and learn which candidates represent you
- WCPSS has a new School Board Member, Chris Heagarty with District 7. (Millbrook HS is with District 3)

At-Large Reports - Amy Fulk, Ann Edmondson

- Senior Breakfast - held on the 1st day of the 2nd semester! An amazon wish list was created and sold out within 44 minutes!!
- Early Graduation - Thursday, 2/1; Nothing Bundt Cakes donated individual small cakes with a confetti theme. BJ's Warehouse mini cupcakes were also purchased. Lesson Learned: less people means less eating. Going forward, need to figure out a better amount of food to order so no waste.

Other / New Business:

- Sadie Harper - hello@southernambition-nc.com - MHS parent, with expertise in college application/essay preparation. Sadie will be offering a **free** workshop later this spring/early summer for rising seniors and their parents to help prepare them for the application process/timeline. She will also post details in the MHS Parent Facebook page.

Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm

