

MHS PTSO

November 14, 2018 Minutes

Members Present: Christy Alexander, Connie Huffman, Maria Ambrester, Kristin Dockery, Karen Van Son, Nicole Shiver, Jean Blackburn, Candy Morgan, Lakishia Goss, Maria Greene, Greg Roach and Emily Morgan.

Welcome/Call to Order: Christy Alexander called the meeting to order at 12:33.

Student Council Report: Emily Morgan reported Friday, December 14th the Student Council will hold a Christmas Movie Marathon for the students. All proceeds from this event will benefit KARM. The Student Council requests assistance with candy canes and/or holiday treats for this event. Motion was made by Nicole Shiver and seconded by Candy Morgan. Voted and passed. Emily also presented the idea of selling wristbands in order to generate revenue for the Student Council. By purchasing a wristband the student would be allowed the opportunity to do something special (i.e. wear flannel/fleece pajama pants, etc.) The something special is yet to be determined and approved. Student Council also requested assistance with a door prize in hopes of increasing wristband sells. After much discussion it was decided to approve up to \$400 for Student Council to purchase items for a gift basket or two.

Motion was made by Candy Morgan and seconded by Maria Ambrester. Voted and passed.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were sent electronically. A motion to approve was made by Nicole Shiver with a second by Maria Ambrester. Voted and passed.

Treasurer's Report: The starting balance from October was \$8,297.72. No other transactions during October so ending balance is \$8,297.72. A motion to approve was made by Candy Morgan, with a second by Maria Ambrester. Voted and passed.

Administrative Report: Mr. Roach reported

- Emily Morgan did an excellent job representing MHS when she spoke at the State School Board meeting.
- ACT scores have increased and MHS did receive positive publicity for this accomplishment
- FASFA College Night was a success with 15 agencies represented and 45 MHS families attending. He also said MHS has provided the opportunity for two college visits to students.
- Advanced ED Certification is in process which includes staff, students and parents completing a survey. MHS will need PTSO's help in spreading the word to get parents to complete.
- David Allen and Bubba Hooker took several construction students to the Carolinas to help with natural disaster cleanup. This was an awesome and life changing experience for our students and adults.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter: Karen Van Son reported all information for December newsletter has been received except for English. Plan is to finalize before Thanksgiving. Newsletter will be sent electronically to Michelle McClanahan for placement.

Teacher Appreciation: Maria Armbruster reported the Teacher appreciation breakfast is this Friday, November 16th. We have 3 large fruit trays donated by Texas Roadhouse (Turkey Creek), and there will be bagels and muffins from Panera, who split the cost with us and donated half of the bagels and muffins. Since Maria's child is a senior, Connie Huffman will shadow Maria this year.

Student Incentives: Friday, December 14th PTSO will provide ice cream for the students. Sign-up sheets will be available at our next meeting.

Parent Education: On November 7th, Officer Barnhart presented on the dangers and problems that accompany vaping. We had nine attendees with seven of those being new parents (non-PTSO Board members). Group discussed ways to increase participation and it was suggested to try a Lunch & Learn at Café Le Reve on a Wednesday or Friday in order not to conflict with Sandra Elder's workflow.

New Business:

- Due to low attendance today – this item will be tabled until next month. - A parent representative is needed to decorate a table for the MCSF Starlight Gala on March 2, 2019. Board members were asked to think about their participation.
- Christy read a thank you note from Jennifer Abernathy, Guidance Office for the refreshments PTSO supplied for Senior Success night. They had 15 agencies and 45 MHS families attend.
- Maryville High School PTSO Facebook page – attendees discussed what purpose we want our Facebook page to serve (communication, reminders) and what guidelines we should have for our page. All were in agreement even though information is available on the MHS website it is much easier to access via Face Book. Information to be posted on the MHSPTSO Facebook page will include MHS & District events, ACT registrations, etc. Due to being over-committed, Michelle Peruski has resigned as administrator of our PTSO FB page and Candy Morgan has volunteered to be the administrator.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:21pm. The next meeting is December 12, 2018.