

## Mesquite Educational Paraprofessional Association

Staff Development/Business meeting was held on February 18, 2019 at West Mesquite High School.

Meeting started at 10:08am

- Yvonne Smeltzer welcomed everyone.
- Lisa Porter discussed the Nomination Committee and are as follows:
  - Susan, Megan, Jennifer and Tawana.
- Lisa will be the 2019 - 2020 MEPA Board President and her theme is “Journey On”.
- Lisa discussed the different positions available on the MEPA Board.
- March 31, 2019 is the deadline to nominate somebody for a position on the board or put your name in.
- Deloria read minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved and will be filed for audit purposes.
- Yvonne discussed the budget and it was approved and file for audit.
- Annette Gilbert discussed membership. We had 1,079 members that joined MESP for 2018 – 2019 school year.
  - Eric Vick from McWhorter won for the most people to join MEPA.
- Lisa discussed our Star Recipients;
  - September – Motley – Maria Perez
  - October – Henrie – Guillermo Mendez
  - November – Vanston – Katy Marshall
  - December – Tosch – Kim Kozak
  - January – Gentry – Rosa Ambaiz
  - February – North Mesquite – Sherri Fortenberry
- The Para of Year will be announced at the MEPA banquet which will be held at North Mesquite on April 25, 2019 at 5:00pm.
- Yvonne discussed the scholarships for seniors and paras. All applications are due by March 1, 2019.
- Darla Hernandez discussed our last fundraisers for 2018 – 2019 year;
  - Mix bags - it started February 18, 2019 and ends March 8, 2019
- Kim asked for additional pictures of Para’s doing something good with their students and on their campus.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am

Submitted by:

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