

MEPA virtual meeting(s) held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020

In attendance (in-person):

Lisa Porter, Yvonne Smeltzer, Megan Staley, Jackie Graham-Chapman, Annette Gilbert, Lauren Jernigan, Dorthie Thompson (via Zoom)

Meeting started at 8:30am

- I. Lisa began the meeting by welcoming all the Elementary Paraprofessionals (in attendance was 123 participants with people gathered in groups)
 - a) Did not get a count for Secondary Professional Attendees, we have some technical difficulties during this meeting.****

- II Dorthie Thompson, 2nd VP Membership gave Membership Updates.**
 - a. 1096 current members -**
 - i. Membership cards will be issued in November or December.**

 - ii. T-shirts will be ordered at the end of October and delivered by November.**

 - iii. There will be a sorting party to help with getting T-shirt together when they come in - DATE: November 16, 17**

- III. Lisa Porter gave update on MEPA Holiday Bazaar**
 - a. MEPA holiday bazaar cancelled due to COVID-19 uncertainties.**
 - b. Baskets will be auctioned off through an auction/raffle and extended for community participation.**
 - c. November 30-December 1 - baskets need to be dropped off to Admin Building by 4:00pm.**
 - d. December 2-7 - pictures of baskets will be taken and bidding will be open.**
 - e. December 8-11 - winner pick up baskets**

- IV. Yvonne Smeltzer, Treasurer discussed the budget from last year and for the upcoming year.**
 - a.) Lisa Porter made a motion to file the treasurer report for audit**
 - b.) Lauren Jernigan 2nd**

- V. Fundraiser**
 - a. Deloria Harmon announced our first fundraiser for MEPA.**
 - i. Pecan Fundraiser ended and there will be a sorting party- TBD**

- VI. Lauren Jernigan will introduce our guest speaker. - Kelly Smith, MISD Behavioral Specialist, at the Nov 3 MEPA MEETING**

- A. Presentation: Don't Throw your Chicken
- B. Elementary Zoom Meeting: 8:30-9:30am
- C. Secondary Zoom Meeting 9:45-10:45am

VII. Secretary: Megan Staley

- A. All minutes have been submitted and uploaded on the MEPA website
- B. Lisa made a motion to approve the minutes to be filed for audit
 - a. Annette Gilbert 2nd

Meeting adjourned at 10.41pm

Submitted by:

Megan Staley
MEPA Secretary 2020 - 2021