

**Moon Area High School
PTO Meeting Minutes
March 1st 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by PTO President, Jessica Brown, there were 19 people in attendance via Zoom.

Membership position is open, duties currently being handled by Jessica Brown

Old Business and Consent Agenda:

- Minutes of February 8, 2023 meeting approved
- Treasurer's Report – Balance is \$10,323.84.
- Correspondence – none

Reports were accepted without changes. Motion by Melissa Wertz and seconded by April Crawford

New Business:

- State of Officers for 2023-2024 (Vote will occur at April meeting)
President: Vacant
Vice-President: Melissa Wertz
Treasurer: Sharon Shoppell
Recording Secretary: April Crawford
Membership Chair: Vacant
Jessica Brown intends to remain one of the two vacant positions (president or membership chair)
Please contact any officer to express interest or mahspto1@gmail.com
- Volunteers needed for Spring events supported by PTO: NHS Induction Night, Honors Night (Senior Specific), Honors Breakfast (9th, 10th & 11th), Staff Appreciation
 - Sign up Genius' will be sent for help with set up, clean up, donations of items, etc. to make the events a success

Principal's Report: Ryan Matsook, MAHS Principal

- Feb. 22 – Assembly in honor of Black History Month. The students seemed to really enjoy it.
- Guidance Counselors have been extremely busy. They have closed scheduling request with grades 8th-11th. From 2/27-3/10 will be having one on one meetings with students to go over their request.
- Girls Night out-has over 100 girls involved
- Honors Breakfast
 - Will be broken up by grade level
- Keystone Testing
 - 2 notices have gone out in regard to how the day will work
 - Students who are testing will have been notified to come to school at the regular time.
 - Students not testing will come to school operating on a two-hour delay school schedule.
 - Two bus schedules will run to transport all students to school and/or parkway
- Senior Activities have been scheduled and parent committees are working on details.

Student Events

- Junior / Senior Prom: 4/28/2023 @ RMU UPMC Events Center from 7 PM to midnight. You must attend the entire event, no early release.

- Ticket Sales: After school in room 211; Cost \$90.00.
- March 21st-23rd and 28th & 29th. Late fees for tickets purchased March 30th-April 5th.

Guidance Report: Julie Sitko College and Career Counselor

- Spring ASVAB: 3/1/23 - 25 students signed up and everyone attended
- Counselors are meeting one on one with students in Social Studies classes to finalize request and any changes they would like to make
- Ms. Sitko is meeting with the Junior class individually to ensure that they do have a bit of a post secondary plan
- Skilled Trades Virtual Program to be held 3/15 – invitation will be sent out
- March 15th Senior Local Scholarships are due – all posted in Naviance
- AP and Keystone testing will be coming up in May
- Wednesday, 3/15, will be meeting with students in 10th and 11th to talk about the college application process. There will be professionals that work in admissions offices and there will be a link provided for the meeting.
- Wednesday, 3/15, will also be a college fair. Parents will be notified thru newsletter about details of this event.
- All information has also been sent via Skyward

Upcoming Dates:

- 3/1/23 - Spring ASVAB
- 3/10/23 - Girls Night Out
- 3/11/23 - SAT Testing
- 3/15/23 - Skilled Trades / OTJ Training Program
- 3/16-3/18 @ 7 PM 3/19 @ 2 PM - Spring Play – Something Rotten
- 3/17/23 – No School
- 3/20/23 – No School – Inservice Day
- 3/21/23 - All District Concert
- 3/23/23 - End of Third Grading Period
- 4/4/23 – NHS Breakfast
- 4/4/23 @ 7 PM - NHS Induction
- 4/5/23 - 16 Minutes Driving Program
- 4/5/23 - PTO Meeting
- 4/6/23-4/11/23 – No School - Spring Break
- 4/11-4/14 – For the Love of Music Concert
- 4/15/23 - ACT Testing
- 4/19/23 – How to Pay for a Post-Secondary Education (Grades 9-11)
- 4/20/23 – Mock Crash
- 4/28/23 - Junior / Senior Prom - 7:00 PM to Midnight
- 5/1-5/5 – Teacher Appreciation week
- 5/4/2023 – Honors Night and Art Show
- 5/10/23 – Senior “Wear Your Future Day”
- 5/11/23 – Honors Breakfast
- 5/11/23 – Choral Concert
- 5/16/23 – Inservice Day – No School; Career Project Interviews
- 5/15-5/23 - Keystone Exams (Algebra, Biology, Literature)
- 5/19/23 – Senior Obligations / Cap & Gown Distribution / Parade of the Past / Food Trucks
- 5/24/23 -Makeups for missed exams
- 5/25-5/26, 5/30-5/31 - Finals
- 5/29/23 – No School – Memorial Day

- 6/1/23 - Baccalaureate Service / Last Day of School
- 6/2/23 – Graduation

Parent Question: What are the procedures for taking your child out of school for a college visit?

Ms. Sitko response: You can take them out when you would like. There is no limit of how many visits you would like to attend. Have your child notify their teacher as to when they will be out prior to the date.

Ask the college for something noting they were there for a visit to validate absence. It is considered excused. There is not a special form for this.

Parent Question: Will there be any revision to the parking permits at the school? Juniors were not able to be get permits this year and a lot of students are parking illegally. Is there parking to open up, maybe up in the parking lot closer to the football field or somewhere?

Ms. Sitko/Mr. Matsook: Space is pretty limited on the campus.

Parent Question: Does the student have to attend a local school to receive the local scholarship?

Ms. Sitko: No, the local scholarship does not need to be used locally, the student may attend any university of their choice.

Parent Question: My student tried to apply but said it was due today. Is it due today or 3/15th?

Ms. Sitko: Please check with Ms. Marciniak, there may be some that are due today, but when I discussed, it was the 15th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am. Motion by Sharon Shoppell and seconded by Oksana Farabaugh

Minutes submitted by April Crawford, Recording Secretary