

Maryville Junior High PAC

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Opening

The regular meeting of the Maryville Junior High PAC was called to order at 11:36am on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, by Dustin Park.

Present

Dustin Park, Stephanie Hale, Stacy Greene, Alana Myers, Brittany Thornhill, Carmen Hall, Sarah Hardin, Carrie Riddle, Mary Wagenblast, Whitney Dee, Afton Ketron, Whitney Roberts, Whitney Davis, Kandi Yeager, Beth Stephens, Sara Williamson

Dustin moved to approve the minutes. Whitney Dee seconded. All were in favor and April minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Our current balance is \$3,638.89. Upcoming expenses include paying for getting the taxes done, charter, and refiling. We are asking for money for grants early so more can get done.

Sponsorships

Dustin brought up discussion about envelopes for sponsorships and their value. It may be better not to have envelopes in the future, but a different form for sponsorships. The idea of ordering new PAC t-shirts was also mentioned, with potentially finding a sponsor to fund that with their logo being on the shirt (if they wish).

Butter Braids

Forms will be out around September 27-October 3. Delivery is usually the same day as the Career Fair.

Career Fair

Students have completed survey with Mr. Wise and Ready Grad for the pathways. The fair will have participants from each pathway that interests the students. If anyone knows of a potential participant, please reach out to them or share their contact information to be contacted by the Career Fair committee.

Teacher Appreciation

Teacher Appreciation happens four times a year. The first will be in September with Quick Fix Coffee. Volunteers will be needed from about 9:00-10:00 to pass out drinks. Afton will confirm the day.

Administration Report

Administration in attendance: Combs, Mullin, Kizer, Wise, Nizinski, Cox, Strom

- Mr. Wise shared about the Read Grad program. There are already 20 Lunch and Learns lined up for this semester and two field trips are scheduled in two pathways- Sept. 16 for Health and Science pathway and Sept. 20 for Shop. He is working with Amazon for some future opportunities. The money asked for by Mr. Wise is to fund these trips.
- Mr. Combs shared that there will be extra academic focus in homeroom classes for students who need extra support in a specific subject. There will also be a teacher challenge to keep teachers and students motivated to be better. The teacher challenge will push thinking, student work and differentiation, and culture in the classroom. There will be competition for points and recognition for those standing out.
- Mrs. Strom talked about academic deans and that there will be a “Dean’s List” each quarter. Students can receive a “shout out” and receive some sort of recognition or swag. There will be a merits program and incentives such as trips when students show growth in benchmark testing.

Grants

Four grant requests were proposed:

- Dr. Hebert- \$200 for engineering notebooks
- Ms. Kizer- \$324 for feminine products dispenser refill
- Academic Dean Team of Strom, Hollander, Kuban- \$1500 for incentives and gifts
- Mr. Wise- \$770 to minimize the cost of attending Pathway Experiences/Field Trips

Mr. Wise and Mrs. Strom were asked if their grants could be divided, half to be given each semester. They each agreed. Dustin made the motion to approve covering the full cost of the Hebert and Kizer grants, and half of the Strom and Wise grants, totaling \$1659. Whitney Dee seconded.

Adjournment

Dustin Park adjourned the meeting at 12:34. The next general meeting will be on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 11:30am.