

October PACT Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/15/24

Time: 7:00pm

Location: MGMS library

Facilitator: Yara El-Emam, President

Note-Taker: Chris Karki, Secretary

1. Attendees:

- Bryn Olsen (Comms Coordinator), Chris Tomshine (Treasurer), Yara El-Emam, , Chris Karki, Heather Dean, Kelsi Bellinger, Jackie Leer, cacey Clem, Laura Muhlstein; **online:** Lindsey Shevland (potential new Treasurer), Sara Heaton, Angel Becker

2. School Update: Patrick Smith

- Year going well so far - Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) dollars- funds specifically for renovating existing facilities- to update science rooms to make more conducive for 6-8th grade learning (to eliminate what was there for 9th grade back when MG was a JR High); tonight is online conference night - a 6th grade parent bought pizzas for the staff dinner; picture retake in November; MEA upcoming (10/17 & 10/18)
- Spring WEB social event - outdoor movie night (instead of initial idea of a game night)

3. New Board Member:

- Chris Tomshine officially requests to resign. Casey motions to accept resignation, Kelsi seconds - no discussion. Ayes: all Nays: none. **Motion passes.**
- New Candidate: Lindsey Shevland - parent of current 6th grader, current treasurer of elementary PTO
- Sara motions to make Lindsey Treasurer, Bryn seconds. No discussion. Ayes: all Nays: none. **Motion passes**

4. [Budget Update](#): Chris Tomshine

- \$20,000 was fundraiser goal; \$24,000 is what was budgeted for projected annual expenses due to excess in account
 - Ideal to keep \$5000-10,000 in account
 - No salaries in PACT budget (some elementary schools' PTOs do budget for salaries)
- After expenses for fundraiser, net \$19,866 - this doesn't include outstanding matching donations
- PACT is in good financial shape

- Financial info will be made accessible to public via [Google Folder & link in monthly minutes](#), published to MGMS PACT webpage

5. Event Updates:

- Event Recaps:
 - Fundraiser - Laura Muhlstein
 - \$21,235 pledged
 - Participation - 24% of 6th graders, 17% of 7th grade, 10% of 8th grade
 - Ideas for future - emphasize that funds go toward 8th grade celebration (to encourage more participation from 8th grade families), video of MGMS students participating in prize celebrations (pie in admin's faces, silly stringing, etc.), emphasize this is one-and-only fundraiser of the year
- Ninjas United - Yara El-Emam
 - 140 registered, 90 attended - space for 150 people to attend
 - A lot of fun, staff were excellent
 - outside isn't well lit- move event an hour earlier next year? Ninjas United said they'd be adding light out back. Ask those registered to confirm attendance as event date gets closer
- Fall Conferences: Yara & Patrick
 - Individual meals from Cafe Zupas
 - 90+ staff served - 3 parent volunteers helped with pickup & setup
 - Staff greatly appreciated!!
- Upcoming Events: Yara
 - Winter Wear Drive - Jackie Leer & Yara will co-lead; most work will be done by students, Jason Olson & Megan Woods (staff leads)
 - MGHS also doing winter wear drive in Oct., former MGMS student facilitating and MGMS is a drop off site - not the same as ours in November
 - Outdoor Movie Night - May 2, staff lead: Jason Olson, parent lead: Yara El-Emam
 - Volunteers needed for:
 - Fun Days - Jan 29-Jan 31
 - Food Drive - 3/10-3/14

- Kindness Event - March 31-April 4
- Movie Night - 5/2 - need 4-5 volunteers
- 8th Grade Celebration - 6/6, 12:18-2:40pm, Co-Leads + volunteers needed

6. Funding Requests: Chris T

- Janie Benson - \$17.43 for Dungeon & Dragons dice for advisory Fun Friday
 - Angel motions to fund, Sara seconds, no discussion. Ayes: all, Nays: none. **Motion passes**
- Angie Delcado - \$81.69 for math classroom supplies
 - Angel motions to fund, Laura seconds, no discussion. Ayes: all, Nays: none, no discussion. Ayes: all, Nays: no. **Motion passes.**
- Charity Osborne - \$240.61 for special ed classroom supplies
 - Motion to approve subject to Patrick's approval - Angel motions to fund up to \$240.61 pending Patrick's approval, Sara seconded, no discussion. Ayes: all, Nays: none. **Motion passes.**

7. Next Meeting Date:

- Monday, November 11, 2024, 7:00-8:00pm, virtual only - link on the website
- Laura motions to adjourn meeting, Kelsi seconded. Adjourned at 8:06pm