

Maryville Junior High PAC

Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Opening: The regular meeting was called to order at 11:37 on Tuesday October 21, 2025 by Ceteka Holder

Present: Leah Gerken, Dustin Park, Ceteka Holder, Afton Ketron, Alana Myers, Stacy Drombetta, Sarah Rhoden, Emily Webb, Kandi Yeager, Stacy Greene

Financial Report/2024-25: Dustin Park reviewed September itemized statement. Dustin reported income from September: Aptus Designworks, Esquivel's Constructions and Gresham Smith- Kandi and Richard Yeager. Beginning Balance \$4,886.58; Ending Balance:\$6616.09. With a \$3,600 buffer, we have \$3,616.09 for fall grants.

Dustin Park motions to approve budget - Kandi Yeager 2nds - all in favor

Ceteka Holder motions to approve September minutes - Dustin Park 2nds - all in favor

Business in between: Ceteka Holder - all grant requests are in. Will ask questions of admin and faculty and then make decisions.

Sponsorship: Ceteka Holder. All logos are in to ASO. The banner will be finished by 11/7.

Butter Braids: Alana Myers - Orders are due tomorrow. Online and paper orders will be tallied and submitted Friday. 11/18 is the next PAC meeting and Butterbraid breakfast for participants - volunteers needed at 10:15am for chicken mini hand-out and raffle. Cow is coming from Chick-fil-a. Making one more video to show during the breakfast and online - wear PAC t-shirt if possible. They may be purchased for \$12. 11/13 is Butterbraid delivery day. Volunteers please stay after the career fair to hand-out pastries.

Career Fair: Stacy Greene - a sign-up sheet for volunteers for 9th grade career fair is being passed around. There are 3 volunteer shifts available. Stacy reports that they are looking for someone to be a Career Fair chair for 2026-2027. Stacy reports on ease of position - Ready Graduate coordinator Mike Wise does most of it. For 2025, Kandi and Stacy met with Mike Wise and have the layout for the day. They report that balloons and tables will be set up at 7:00. 4 sections of 9th grade come through. There will be a sheet for students to fill-out to enter the raffle along with prizes for best handshake, smile, eye contact, conversation, etc. 25 gift cards have been donated. Reminder: Next year is the last 9th grade career fair.

Teacher Appreciation: Afton Ketron informed that PAC retrained QuickFix last month, and in December, bundt cakes will be provided for Christmas. No announced date yet. Don't need as many volunteers as it's one standing table.

Admin Report: David Combs, Kim Ninski , Angie Cox, Brittany Strom, Angie Kizer

David Combs: Right after fall break, Combs and admin met about reinventing middle grade experience in 2 years when 9th grade moves up and 7th grade comes to MJHS with faculty and staff from those grades currently at the intermediate schools meeting at MJHS. "Great chance to come back to our why." Combs reports redefining vision of excellence with excitement- they invited the 7th grade teachers by crashing classrooms at intermediate schools dressed as Willie Wonka characters. He reports that it was a productive meeting and that they would take those ideas and build a design team for structure and best practices. Still have question to answer about the master schedule, will they be in teams, etc. Combs said it was exciting and fun and a lot of work. They completed a lot of research around differences between a middle school and a high school. They are trying to find the balance. Current 7th graders this year will be at MJHS for one year and then move up.

Brittany Storm: Dean World - deans' list emails went out today. Certificates this week. Academics expedition students will be invited to the park. Christmas Party - they have a request for gift cards for prizes. The party will be primarily games, recognizing teachers and providing fun.

Angie Cox - Counseling world - 8th grade career fair tomorrow for all of Blount County.

Angie Kizer - They've had a lot of response to the Butterbraid campaign with many butter braid orders.

Dustin Park asked for questions from admin team. Regarding grants - Kandi asked if MJHS could we send the 9th grade - Schimidt request to the foundation and reported that they meet first of November. Admin said yes.

David Combs - veterans assembly coming up 11/7. Invite veterans in every other year. Scotty Hicks always coordinates and large community involvement. Students invite family members.

Administration left the meeting and the discussion continued.

Grants: Dustin Park reported that if the 9th grade literary grant is pushed to the Foundation, PAC can approve the rest. While the grant for the Christmas party will be incoming - the total allocated to cover the rest of the fall grant requests is \$2,749.88 leaving approximately \$900 left until spring. Mrs.Schmidt will be emailed about procedures for requesting from MCSF and help will be offered.

Dustin moved to approve grants for chargers, chess set, phonics books and respect app. Alana 2nds. All in favor.

Additional item: Stacy Greene reported that Stacy Dombretta will shadow for Career Fair.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:28p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 11/18 at 11:30 a.m. Minutes recorded by interim secretary Emily Webb