

## **MTMS PTA Meeting Agenda and Minutes**

Wednesday September 13th, 2023

**Start Time:** 7:00 PM **End Time:** 7:58 PM

**Location:** In-Person at MTMS Library and in ZOOM

7:00 PM Welcome and Call to Order: President Linda Pinkney

# in Attendance in Person: 13

Maritza N. Alvarez, Angela Bobich, Juanita Gomez-Delgadillo, Luwanne Mebane, Meredith Miller, Melissa Montgomery, Principal Mough, Nate Olsen, Linda Pinkney, Michelle Schafer, Nihar Sinha, Jaden Temple, Tabitha Temple

### # in Attendance via Zoom: 22

Christy Anderson, Maggie DeMello, Amilia Douglas, Mary Duffy, Greg Harding, Karol Hernandez, Adam Igribe, Tasha Malhotra, Claudia Mendez, Stacie Moats, Soledad Montano, David Mwaniki, Holly Nolan, Vik R, Kristina Robertson, Pauline Sillia, Corea Smith, Aklima Sultana, Maria V, Alison, Olivia, Susan

# of Confirmed Members in Attendance: 17

**Quorum Present: Y** 

### I. Introductions

Introductions of the Board

- Linda Pinkney President
- Principal Mough
- Kelly Loss Vice President (Not in Attendance)
- Nate Olsen Treasurer
- Angela Bobich Secretary

Introductions of those attending

### II. Updates from Principal Mough

Reported a strong start to the school year. Teacher return week was a success. He has received a warm welcome from kids and staff. Last week marked when the back to school period ended. Be on look out for requests for feedback to tell the school what things went well and what things can the school do better. As a new principal to the school, he is still in the research and reflection stages, and that includes engaging with families. He wants communication to be as open as possible.

### III. Treasurer Presents 2023-2024 PTA Budget

- One correction to the proposed budget, the \$2000 at the end listed for 'Carryover for Student/FamilyPres' will be changed to 'Emergency Reserve Funds'
- Beginning Bank Balance \$11,437.81 (July 1st, 2023)
- Budget Proposed is a balanced budget with \$21,960 in Income and -\$21,960 in expenses

Motion to Approve 2023-2024 PTA Budget: Melissa Montgomery

Motion Seconded by: Juanita Gomez Delgadillo

Motion carried: Unanimous Vote

Motion to accept: Budget accepted with correction to Emergency Reserve Fund

## **Updates from the Treasurer**

- Treasurer mini grants are back, \$1000 budgeted to be spent in September and a \$1000 later in the year
- Our first expenses for the year were for 'Staff Member of the Month,' the cost of 'Spiritwear,' and return to school activities for staff
- PTA memberships are doing well and have brought in over \$1500 in August
- Expenses will be higher in October with upcoming events such as Tiger Social Night

# IV. Secretary Business - Approval of May 9th 2023 Membership Meeting Minute - Angela Bobich

Motion for Approval of Meeting Minutes: Michelle Schafer

**Motion Seconded by**: Nate Olsen **Motion carried:** Unanimous Vote

**Motion to accept:** Minutes accepted as it stands

#### V. Presentation: No Place for Hate

### Ms. Montgomery and Ms. Mebane

- "No Place for Hate" is an organizing framework to combat bias and bullying in schools. Developed by the Anti-Defamation League.
- Schools earn designation as No Place for Hate® by organizing projects/activities to combat bias and bullying in the community
- Schools must: 1) Create an Advisory Committee of students, staff, and parents/guardians, 2) Have a community signing of the "Resolution of Respect/No Place for Hate Promise" at the launch event, and 3) Complete two or more activities that recognize differences and promote respect.
- No Place for Hate will be an after school club for students to lead the planning and implementation of the program.
- Advisory committee meets once a month on Mondays, and supports the activities and events. Parent volunteers are subject to fingerprinting and background check.
- Students will learn about the No Place for Hate mission during Learning Seminar periods on Sept 29th, and they can sign up to be a committee member.
- There will be 2-3 school-wide lesson/activities that promote inclusiveness through active learning
- Also an event partnering with SGA for International Night

## V. Membership and Volunteer Updates

Presented by Linda Pinkney

- Current Membership 142, hope to continue to grow that number
- Faculty/Staff Members 21, Mr. Mough has offered fun incentives to staff to encourage them to join, which include a pie in his face and dying his hair/head green.
- Spread word to friends about joining PTA. PTA activities are funded by our membership dues. If you don't have a lot of time, you can at least join the PTA membership.
- There will be a Tiger Night Sign-up Genius. This is a student event, and we are looking for chaperons and donation of needed items that can be dropped off at the school. Member asked if they could make a straight donation. Yes, direct cash donations earmarked for Tiger Night can also be made on the PTA website (off of the school's website), if that is more convenient for anyone. Tiger Night will be in the evening of October 13th.

### VI. President Updates

Linda Pinkney presented updates on upcoming events and programs

- We had 4 Teacher mini-grants submitted, which the Board just reviewed. Winners will be announced in *News You Choose* email.
- Every month we nominate a staff member of the month. Mrs. Gretchen Linton was the first recipient, and received the 'traveling' trophy, a gift card, and a

- parking space for the month. We would love to hear from parents and students, by sending in more recommendations.
- Had our first Spirit Night at Panda Express. The next Spirit Night will be at Chipotle on October 10th.
- Next PTA meeting will be held, Wednesday October 18th.
- The PTA has money in the budget for Odyssey of the Mind, if there is a parent who can serve as the Chair/Coordinator for the program.
- Also need a Chair for the art Reflections program.