

MES PTA Meeting Minutes
Wednesday May 12, 2021
6:30-7:20pm via Zoom

In attendance: Jenna Huntley, Yuna Kim, Unnati Patel, Mrs. Scotti, Ms. Lacy, Mrs. Camuto, Mrs. Coffey, Mrs. Evertson, Jennifer Harris, Chris Hoffman, Jaime Gostkowski, Jennifer Lafaman, Jennifer Volfson, RoseAnn Sands, Maria Ryan, Jocelyn Pena, Alex Clark, Jackie Merritt, Rebecca Chen, Sonia's iPhone

PTA Administrative Business

- Meeting called to order by Yuna at 6:33
- Approved minutes from April's general meeting
 - Minutes are available on the website

'21-'22 MES PTA Board Elections

- Elections for the next academic year
- Last meeting the slate of nominees was presented
- No new nominations were received from the floor
- VOTE: via google form posted in the chat
 - All nominees have been voted in, will make the official announcement at the next meeting
- Thank you for participation

Monthly Reports

OHES Report - Mrs. Scotti

- Welcomed more students back
 - Went well - reminiscent of September with a few hectic days to begin with
- Continuing to interview for school nurse
 - Hoping to finalize at next Board of Education meeting
- Typically would be doing K orientation now
 - Will do virtually sometime in June for parents and send out video for the kids
- Hoping for open house in late August or early September - waiting to find out what will look like
- End of year activities are being planned
- June 11 will have Fun Day!
 - Modified version being planned so will include virtual kids and self-contained classrooms
- End of Year class parties will be held last week of June - teacher's choice on the date
 - Discussing will look like
- Thank you for an awesome teacher's appreciation week
 - Everyone was blown away
 - Much appreciated! Thank you!

OHES Teacher Report - Mrs. Coffey

- Thank you from the staff!
- Was an awesome week and we appreciate it!

VES Report – Ms. Lacy

- Virtual book fair occurred - thank you for your efforts
- Old Barracks virtual field trip
 - 2 versions occurred
 - Thank you for supporting
- Earth Day assembly by MHS students and had nature walk videos
- School leadership teams have been presenting at the BOE meetings
 - Goal is for teachers and union to work together to ultimately help students
- Will talk about End of Year activities at staff meeting tomorrow
- Musicians did virtual presentation about the different instruments
- African American Museum gave a virtual presentation for 3rd graders
- VES News - students and teachers have been giving presentations on culture including Jewish heritage, Eid, Asian heritage
- Incorporating antiracism in the classrooms
- MAP testing coming up
- Teacher for a day June 10
- 5th grade orientation for parents May 17
- June 11 will be Fun Day
- 3rd grade orientation
 - Video to be sent to current 2nd graders
 - Is the school collecting student testimonials like last year? Was really nice last year
 - Will have a parent orientation
- Thank you for everything during Teacher Appreciation Week! Was a great week! Was a lot of fun and we are very grateful!

VES Teacher Report - Mrs. Evertson

- Teacher Appreciation Week was fabulous!
- Loved the choice and selection of food, and the WOW factor when you walked into the room
- Riddles were too hard!
- Thank you to the committee!

Co-President Report - Yuna Kim

- Lots going on for the end of the year
- Excited for the last few weeks

Treasurer's Report – Chrissy Hoffman

- All numbers as of May 3, and amounts are what have cleared in the bank so may be a bit different than stated with the committees

- Income:
 - Members: 199 including 26 staff = \$2725
 - Paid State fees of \$136
 - Fundraisers:
 - Stonebridge Chili \$582.50
 - Kids Art \$606.31 OHES and \$283.02 VES
- Expenses:
 - Paid Sudipta for Author visit
 - Paid \$416.50 out of PTA discretionary grant for Transportation Appreciation
 - Grants:
 - Paid Nesci/Boss already, will pay Mrs. Charette, Carr, Komar and Mr. Rodriquez soon
 - Teacher Appreciation:
 - Received a parent donation of \$97.50
 - Paid for boxed lunches

MSEPTA – RoseAnn Sands

- Is a stand alone PTA for parents and teachers to advocated and support students who receive any services, K through 12
- Next meeting May 18 @ 6:30
 - Link on MSEPTA website which can be accessed through any school website, under the PTA tab
- Final meeting of the year will be June 15 @6:30
- Wrapped up clothing drive
 - 2700lbs of items were taken over
- 5 scholarships were awarded
- Grants going out soon
- Formulating the board now
 - Slate to be released May 18 and can nominate from the floor for up until 20 days before the June meeting
- RoseAnn’s term as the MSEPTA rep is over so looking for a new rep next year

Teacher Appreciation - Unnati Patel

- Thanks to all families for donating
- Tues was snacks, Wed was box lunch (from local female entrepreneur)
- RoseAnn put together a video to see what happened during the week - can be found in enews and on social media
- Principals, please tell the teachers that we appreciated their feedback for the survey earlier and we tried our best to meet what they were asking for
- Thanks to Maria, Jen V, RoseAnn for all the creativity and planning

Transportation Appreciation - Unnati Patel

- Apr 27 provided grab and go breakfast
- Went well

VES Book Fair - Unnati Patel

- Still processing orders
- Had \$2014 in sales so we get 526 in Scholastic dollars plus 50 Scholastic dollars for using their social media things
- Overall went well considering it was virtual
- Anxious to bring back in person fair next year

Movie Night with Montgomery Baseball - Yuna Kim

- May 21
- Limit seating to 200 people
- Tickets sold out within two days
- Free event but need to pre-register
- Looking forward to having a community event
- Raffle going on for all - please check it out

Teacher For A Day – Unnati Patel

- June 10 @ VES
- Drawing will be a few days before
- More info will be going out next week
- Thank you to teachers for agreeing to do this
- Looking forward to doing something fun!

5th Grade Orientation - RoseAnn Sands

- One meeting so far with Mr. Richards
- Students already had a virtual tour of the building
- Earliest he could see kids to physically walk through the building is July
 - Could do in groups of 25
- Plans are still very fluid
- Goal to put something physical in each of these kids hands either this year or in September
- Will host a virtual magic show June 6
 - In talks with vendor now
- RoseAnn, Yuna and Jen V are the committee

New Business/Announcements/Questions

- We will be having one more general meeting in June
- No questions

Next meeting Wednesday June 9 @ 6:30

Link will be sent out week of meeting

Meeting concluded at 7:18