

MHES Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.

Thursday, Jan 12 2023 at 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Zoom Meeting Information - Meeting ID: 827 8557 6735 || Passcode: 516934

Agenda

In Attendance: JB, LB, JJ, Jaffa Batya Weiss, Marie McSweeney Anderson, Jody Fleury, DC, CC, DS, Attia Goheer, Stephanie Jones, Jaclyn Paul, Rebecca Yenawine

Opening Activities (Welcome)

- Intros & Check-ins

Reports

a. Financial Update

- i. Balance - \$12,702.71
 - i. Need more paper - another \$1700 roughly for another pallet
- ii. Maryland Taxes Filed
 - i. Thank you to DC and EB for meeting over the holidays to do this

Unfinished Business

a. Previous Events

- i. Holiday Drive Update : Supported 24 students!!!
 - ✓ THANK YOU to everyone who participated in our 2022 Holiday DRIVE!!
 - ✓ Donation of \$1,500 from Roland Park Presbyterian Church
 - ✓ 20 families and 24 kids in our school community
 - ✓ Special THANK YOU Sara Baffour, Denise Stanley

New Business

a. INSPIRE Presentation

- a. Community engagement process is now beginning
- b. Already did sidewalk improvements
- c. Steering Committee of 9 community members to be created
- d. Late February - Community Walk
- e. March - Visioning
- f. Jaffa Batya Weiss, INSPIRE Planner: jaffa.weiss@baltimorecity.gov 410.396.5937. Marie Anderson, Northern District Planner: marie.anderson@baltimorecity.gov 410.396.3957

b. Upcoming Events

- i. PTO Support
 - i. School Fundraising Idea: MHES Fun Run Volunteers
 1. 4/20; rain date 4/28
 2. School is in need of volunteers to:
 - a. Set up course

- b. Hand out ice pops
 - c. music?
 - ii. Future Events- Bingo Night - Mar 16, STEAM Night- Mar 29, Book Fair- Mar ?
 - 1. Bingo night - class baskets needed (more info soon)
 - 2. Steam Night - Ms. Homol is organizing, not sure what she needs yet
 - 3. Book Fair dates TBD (March?)
 - 4. Planetarium for Steam Night or for whole school?
 - a. Admin needs to discuss
 - b. School will ask PTO to cost share
 - c. \$1325 for one day
 - d. 2-hour window in evening \$570 (not all kids could participate)
 - ii. Restaurant Fundraiser Night - Feb or Mar
 - iii. Budget Review Meeting Sessions (Promote)
 - i. Jan 11 at 2pm
 - 1. We need to participate in the survey, which can be linked from the Community Newsletter
 - 2. Two priorities that have been identified so far:
 - a. Instrumental Music
 - b. School class size
 - ii. Feb 23 at 6pm (Forum Meeting)
 - iii. January 26th SFC meeting - budget may or may not come up then
 - iv. Mar 15 at 6pm (Review Meeting)
 - v. Legislation now on class size being talked about in Annapolis
 - 1. Union has to be allowed to bargain for that
 - iv. Assistance Needed
 - i. Librarian Assistance
 - 1. Email Ms. Dugan: SMitchell20@bcps.k12.md.us. She would LOVE the help
 - 2. Jennifer will investigate if there is a program at Hopkins that can help with this
 - ii. Music/Art Club Assistance
 - iii. Steam Period assistance
 - 1. Making supplies
 - a. Containers
 - iv. Shoe Drive - student-led
 - 1. Collecting any used shoes (sneakers); can be in any condition because they're going to be recycled, not re-used
 - 2. Money collected by recycling rubber
 - 3. Bin right outside the office
 - v. School Family Council - Jan 26th at 6pm (Promote)
 - vi. School Updates
 - i. Ms. Nadine is leaving - students are making her cards

- vii. Other Concerns - Annual Fundraising Chair
 - i. Might need to ask for mask donations (check after Spring Break)
 - ii. 1/23 - breakfast or snack for PD day - can PTO donate?

Announcements/ Adjournment - Next Meeting- Thur. Feb 9th