

**MHES Parent Teacher Organization, Inc.**

**Thursday, March 8, 2022 - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 pm**

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**Zoom Meeting Information - Meeting ID: 878 9175 6706 | Passcode: 538841**

***Agenda***

**Opening Activities (Welcome)**

**In Attendance:** Erin Bolton, Cathy Chiavacci, Jennifer Jarvis, Judi Breidegam, Nikki Martens, Latarsha Bryant, Kerry Ford Morancy, Tasha Williams, Jaclyn Paul, Attia Goheer, Allison Ingalls, Desiree Cleves, Christopher Poknis, Denise Stanley, Suzanne Schlattman, Bridget Becker

**Reports**

**a. Financial Update**

- i. Budget Balance - No significant changes during the past month
- ii. 501c3 Update - Donor Box review for a vote
  - a. 2-3% credit card fees + 1.5% Donor Box fees
  - b. Choice to have donor pay the fees
  - c. Latarsha moves to purchase Donor Box application as our platform
    - i. Kerry seconds;
    - ii. all those in favor raise hands
    - iii. the motion has passed
- iii. Annual Fundraiser Drive/Plan On-line Drive
  - a. Outdoor Movie Night to celebrate end of drive
  - b. Meeting this coming Monday to help, email EB

**Unfinished Business**

**a. Previous Events**

- i. MHES Anti-Racism Group - Mon., Feb 28th
  - a. Well received, discussion amongst kids
- ii. Robotics Club - Ridgely Extravaganza Tournament- Wed. Feb 23
  - a. We are 8th in the state, kids are enjoying it

**New Business**

**a. Upcoming Events**

- i. Art Mural Discussion
  - a. This year or next year?
  - b. We can't put anything on the wall, or street
  - c. we could do an RFP for a banner
  - d. Hampden Medfield Woodberry Livable Communities grant
  - e. Set aside money from PTO budget?
  - f. Windows on inside of building; something for the larger community.

- ii. Spring Fundraisers- Pepe's Pizza - Sat. Mar 12th - ALL DAY (Promote)
  - a. If you are ordering online, mention at pick-up
  - b. Nextdoor post? Twitter?
- iii. Book Fair: Fri. Mar 11th thru Fri. Mar 18th (Sign-up Genius)
  - a. Set-up is tomorrow afternoon, send out a reminder email
- iv. Robotics Club - MD State Championship, New Town High School, Sat., Mar 12th
  - a. Competition starts around 10 at Newtown High School in Owings Mills
  - b. one of our kids has received acknowledgment from Vex for writing code
- v. School Family Council Meeting- Mon. Mar. 28 at 6pm (Promote)
- vi. MHES Anti- Racism Group - next event?
  - a. No event planned yet
- vii. Restaurant Fundraisers in May and June?
  - a. May might be movie night
  - b. Nepenthe?
    - i. Perhaps May, a night when they're not otherwise busy
  - c. Rotunda - Rita's, MOD, etc. Maybe Local Fry? Maybe a few spots in the Rotunda
  - d. Union in June - movie event? + Charmery.
  - e. Maybe do Rita's on its own early in April, to help get the word out that they're open.
  - f. Weekend at Union, so that teachers and families are more likely to come.
  - g. Jo Coffee? Taharka pints?
  - h. Tasha is looking for someone to take the baton, as this is her last year at Medfield.
    - i. Post an appeal in the newsletter?
- viii. School Updates:
  - a. 5th Grade Closing Celebration
    - i. Cash donation from PTO
    - ii. We don't actually know what we are able to do because of Covid
    - iii. End of year is currently 6/15, but that could change
    - iv. We have currently budgeted \$300
    - v. 5th grade mixer outside will happen, but not sure about inside
  - b. Clubs started 3/7/22
  - c. Square One Art Fundraiser
    - i. Happening, we will send it off at the beginning of Spring Break
    - ii. shipments to come in around Mother's Day
    - iii. When the orders come in we might need help organizing - check in at next PTO meeting
  - d. STEAM event?
    - i. Not this year, teachers too busy
  - e. Teacher Appreciation Week - poster campaign, gift cards, breakfast and lunch dates
    - i. PTO doing breakfast and lunch - food truck
    - ii. 51 staff
    - iii. no restrictions from the school end
    - iv. lunch needs to arrive by 10:30, for first lunch
    - v. Eddie's was a good choice last year
    - vi. poster campaign

ix. Concerns

**Announcements/ Adjournment - Next Meeting- Thur. April 21st**