

PTO Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2022

- Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

Approval of Minutes from January meeting

- All in favor of approving minutes

Approval of Treasurer Report

- 4 scholarships checks went out
- Funds released for teacher luncheon, yearbook
- All in favor of approving treasurer report

Old Business

- Discussed fundraising, Mako donation, last year made \$6000 with goal of \$10,000. PTO has done lots of fundraising and unclear if we need to conduct another fundraiser. At this time, we may be more focused on spending money on community events and to support teachers.
- It would be helpful to increase communication between teachers and PTO. Historically we have a liaison but not this year. Perhaps a stipend could go to a parent liaison? With covid it has been difficult for faculty and parents to connect.
- Senior class gift unclear for this year. Last year's class gift was slated for a picnic table but no update on this at this time. Funds for class gift unclear.
- Discussed teacher appreciation and decided on a coffee/sandwich? Event for March 15,16 during conferences. Laura Heller will plan event. Last coffee event cost \$265-\$285 at Starbucks to get coffee for 38 teachers. Will explore the possibility of purchasing coffee from a local vendor, The Social. Will explore the possibility of a volume discount. May be nice to get sandwiches as well at ? Benneditos in Groton, a family contact with MSMHS. Do not need to have individually packaged items at this time. \$500 approved for this event.

Principals report with Ms. Hardison

- Spirit week is here, great planning and leaders for this. We are missing some school spirit with the restraints of covid. Historically, the school had great hall meetings in the morning before advisory with was a great way for student leaders to rally their peers.
- Penny wars fundraiser, fun for students to raise money for field day
- Course selection changing this year and students will need to use Power scheduler
- Next 3 weeks seniors need to complete their Capstone portfolio
- Graduation date June 10, subject to change with weather, Garde not available that day. Avery point is great but weather dependent as is a graduation at MSMHS. Most places do not require a deposit at this time. If graduation is at Avery point will need to rally some parent volunteers to help with set up.
- Discussed the possibility of bringing back the Anchor award that goes to any one in the MSMHS community. It would be wonderful to honor our school nurse who has worked so hard during covid. In addition, Dr. Fritz who has been a great help, covering as a substitute and greeter. We could present this award at the award banquet.

New Business

- Kelly Morales discussed the plans for Trivia night, April 1 at 6 PM, for Freshman and Sophomore families. Other organizer include Amy Chapel and Erica Chandler. A \$250 deposit is needed and approved. 200 people can participate, we could do 50 teams of 4/5 parents/students. Details still pending. May run in garage area or inside (depending on covid regulations). Plenty of tables and chairs available. Prizes? How to set up groups? Advertise?
- No updates from the seal watching event
- Other fundraisers being brainstormed , bake sale? Munsons chocolate? Mothers Day flowers? Good to create competition with students for the fundraisers as a motivator.
- Next meeting March 29
- Meeting Adjourned at 6:58

Attendees via Zoom

VP Colleen Hardison
Lara Dolphin
Annette Weaver-Brooks
Laura Heller

Kelly Morales
Erica Chandler
Kelly Morales
Amy Chapel
Amber Haifley