

Mountain View Middle School PTO Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 14, 2023

- 1. Call to Order by D. Fox @ 6:02pm**
- 2. New 2023-24 PTO Board and Committee Member Introductions**
- 3. President's Report – David Fox**
 - a. President expressed concern about the status of the PTO Fundraiser
 - i. If goal is not met, we may need to:
 1. Consider holding an additional fundraiser (the PTO can hold two fundraisers a year per CV School Rules)
 2. Shrink the budget.
 - ii. Briefly reviewed some of the events and activities that the PTO provides to students and teachers throughout the year
 - b. Questions received from attendees regarding the fundraiser:
 - i. Q: How does the amount raised this year compare to the amount that was raised last year?
 1. A: We did not meet the goal that we set last year, but we had enough to carry over from the COVID time to be able to fund events
 2. A: Last year's fundraiser did raise \$10,000; this money needs to be used on the students that are currently in the building
- 4. Vice President provided brief overview to meeting attendees as to what the PTO looks like at the Middle School level versus the Elementary School level**
- 5. Treasurer's Report – Janet Butterfield**
 - a. Shared Treasurer's Report (which goes to the end of August)
 - b. We have currently received donations from 100 families for the annual PTO fundraiser
 - c. Official budget for the 2023-24 school year should be approved at the next meeting
- 6. Committee Reports**
 - a. Student/Family Activities – David Fox**
 - i. MV PTO currently does not have a chair for the Student/Family Activities Committee
 1. It would be beneficial to have two individuals for each committee
 - ii. Upcoming Family Events
 1. Scholastic Book Fair – 9/18/23-9/22/23
 - a. Janet B mentioned that there were a few times that were still open that needed to be filled (Early morning hours and the 10:15am slot so that the bookfair is open for the 8th graders)
 2. PTO Back to School Bash – 9/21/23 (5:00PM-8:00PM)
 - b. Hospitality Committee – David Fox**
 - i. There is currently a chair for the Hospitality Committee, but she was unable to attend the meeting
 - ii. The focus of the Hospitality Committee has generally been focused on the feeding the teachers during the school year or certain events (i.e., Teacher Appreciation Week, 6th Grade Orientation, etc.)
 1. PTO plans to do less this year; will plan to do events for teachers every month or every other month
 - iii. Discussed the schedule and scope for October Teachers Event (Event is currently on the calendar)
 1. Date: 10/26/23
 2. Scope: Trick or Treat Themed
 3. Will send out a Time to Sign Up (TTSU) once donations and needs are identified

4. Please let the PTO know if you would like to help the Committee Chair plan this event
 - a. Bridget P expressed that she would be happy to help the Committee Chair with the Hospitality Committee
 - i. Dana W will reach out to Bridget P following the meeting

c. Fundraising – David Fox

- i. There is currently no chair for the Fundraising Committee
- ii. Annual PTO Fundraiser
 1. We want to begin looking at finding new and creative ways to get individuals engaged and local businesses involved
- iii. Questions received from meeting attendees:
 1. Q: Could we increase utilization of local businesses? (Dine and Donate was suggested)

A: We could possibly look into this, but we do make more money with a larger fundraiser versus a Dine and Donate at a local business (Dana W)
 2. Q: What is considered a fundraiser?

A: A Fun Run, Asking for Money, Selling Chocolate, etc.
Events that are NOT considered a fundraiser: Dine & Donate, Scholastic Bookfair, Selling Hershey Park Tickets in the Spring, Trivia Night (Dana W)
 3. Q: Can we hold a bake sale?

A: This may be very difficult because of food allergies (Dana W)
 4. Q: Who decides how many fundraisers that we can have?

A: The district decided that schools could only have two fundraisers a year to minimize how much the schools are asking parents for money (Roger R)
 5. Q: Shaull Elementary School holds a Flower Sale every year; last year they made \$5,000. Is this something we could do?

A: This may be a difficult fundraiser to pull off. (Dana W)

7. Principal's Report – Roger Riegel

- a. Reviewed some of the events and activities that the PTO has held in the past.
 - i. Attendance to many of the events is very small in comparison to the number of children who attend the school.
 - ii. MV wants to hold events that encourage a sense of belonging and confidence.
- b. Discussed the varying levels of incentives for students if a certain amount of money is raised via the annual fundraiser.
 - i. In the past, teachers/administrators were duct taped to the cafeteria wall and the principals slept on the roof.
 - ii. Mr. Riegel stated that he would work on making an announcement to ensure that the students are aware of the fundraiser and the varying incentives that exist.
- c. Mentioned that the focus this year at MV is “Shared Ownership,” and that the next competency that the students will be focusing on for the Portrait of an Eagle Initiative is Confidence and Resilience.
 - i. The important message that MV wants students and staff to know is, “I matter. I belong. I contribute.” (Dr. Christopher)

8. Teacher's Report – Erin Faulkner

- a. Briefly spoke about the Book Swap that will be taking place during the Back to School Bash
 - i. Would also like to hold a Book Swap at the end of the year so that the students have books to read over the Summer
- b. Erin will reach out to Janet regarding Book Fair Money

9. New Business

- a. Family Trivia Night

- i. Date: February 23, 2024 – 6:00pm-8:00pm
- ii. Please reach out if you are interested in helping with coordinating/organizing this event.

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm: motion to adjourn by D. Fox and K. Tumbusch

Upcoming Events:

1. Scholastic Book Fair—9/18/23-9/22/23
2. PTO Back to School Bash – 9/21/23; 5-8PM

General Session PTO Meetings:

- Thursday, October 12, 2023
- Thursday, November 9, 2023
- Thursday, December 14, 2023
- Thursday, January 11, 2024
- Thursday, February 8, 2024
- Thursday, March 14, 2024
- Thursday, April 11, 2024
- Thursday, May 9, 2024

NOTE: All meetings will be held at 6:00pm on the second Thursday of each month in the teacher's lounge unless otherwise posted

Meeting Attendees:

Roger Riegel
Leahann Moslak
Janet Butterfield
Rabiya Wajih
Karissa Tumbusch
Jeannine Snyder
Katie McCutcheon
Erin Faulkner
Ashley Grossman
Dana Woodall
Bridgette Parker
Priyanka Saran
Alicia Colwart
Aman Swan
David Fox

2023-24 Executive Board Members:

President – David Fox (mvpto@cvschools.org)
Vice President – Dana Woodall
Treasurer – Janet Butterfield (mountaintviewpto2019@gmail.com)
Secretary – Leahann Moslak