

Meridian Park PTSA  
General Meeting  
June 1, 2010

**Action items are in bold**

Call to order:

The board meetings of the Meridian Park PTSA was called to order in the Meridian Park cafeteria at 7:05 PM by PTSA president Brian Heagler. Members had been informed about the meeting through letters sent home in the boomerangs, and through PTSA and school websites. Those present were : Tracey Poole, Janina Pacunski, Brian Heagler, Kathy Tinoco, Aileen Lu, Chris Stuvek, Lorraine Flaherty, Kathy Henderson, Amy Jessee, Renee Smith, Nancy Edney, Amy Grady, Melanie Gillespie, Ping Liu, Ying Guo, Lori Linn, MaryAnn Nixon, Susan Duthweiler, Holly DeGrazia, Kim Ficele-Bowen, David Bowen, Tom Remmers, Jennifer Harris, Todd Crandell, Marilina Murakami, Dixie Yamane, Mary Crandell, Aimee Mainwaring, Mary Loes, Kathy Henderson and Craig Yamane.

President's Report and Election :

Brian presented Renee as a nominee for the VP of Events for 2010-11. Janina made a motion to elect Renee VP of Events. This was seconded by Melanie. All were in favor, none opposed. Renee was elected VP of Events.

Brian announced that some Mariner's tickets were still available for the June 4<sup>th</sup> game and anyone who was interested should contact Dixie. Brian mentioned the car show that will be held at MP on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Brian announce that MP got a Golden Hanger award for contributions to the Works. Tracey explained that this was for contributing 500 items. She also mentioned a back to school event with free haircuts and school supplies available. Amy G. asked if it was possible to make clothing contributions to the Works. Tracey said that it was fine to bring clothes to the office and Tracey will bring them to the Works. Tracey also mentioned that she needs a volunteer to help her tomorrow night at the Works.

Brian mentioned that the Walkathon is on June 4<sup>th</sup> and Field Day is on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Volunteer Recognition :

Brian explained that the MP PTSA supported 27 events, tasks and leadership positions with at least 125 volunteers this year. He expressed thanks to this group broadly and then specifically thanked each of the following individuals, presenting them with a plant: Patty Sanders (VP Events 2009-10, and Volunteer Coordinator 2010-11), Janina Pacunski (VP programs – 2009-10, and 2010-11), Aileen Lu (Treasurer 2009-10, and Co-treasurer 2010-11), Melanie Gillespie (VP Fundraising and grants 2009-10, readathon 2010, 2011, Grants chair 2011), Lorraine Flaherty (secretary 2009-10, 2010-11, MPNA liaison - 2009-2010, Flea Market Chair – 2009-2010), Suzanne Gugger (Legislative Chair 2009-10, Reflections, grants), Mary Crandell (Communications and volunteer for a million other things), Kathy Tinoco (Fall fundraiser – 2009-2010, Membership 2009-2010, VP Fundraising 2010-11), Tracey Poole (The Works 2009-10, 2010-11), Renee Smith ( plant sale and scrip program – 2009-10, VP Events 2010-11), Kelly Martinez (volunteer coordinator 2009-10), Amy Grady (PTSA liaison program 2009-10, 2010-11), Mary Loes (PTSA teacher rep), Jodi Steele (PTSA teacher rep), David Drummond and Bob Pacunski ( landscaping 2009-10), Kathy Henderson (Reflections 2009-10, Drama club 2009-10, PTSA Co-president 2010-11), Chris Stuvek – yearbook 2009-10). Mary Crandell then recognized Brian Heagler ( President 2009-10, Co-treasurer 2010-11)

Tracey Poole mentioned that the last skating party of the year is 6/10/10.

Annie Jr. Preview :

Musical performance by the MP drama club.

Secretary's Report :

May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were approved as written and entered into the record.

Financial Report :

The following current budget year reallocations were discussed - \$150 from 6<sup>th</sup> grade science night to 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduation, \$250 from 6<sup>th</sup> grade science night to Staff grants, and \$110 from incidentals to Staff Grants. Lorraine made a mention to approve these reallocations. This was seconded by Kathy T. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion was carried.

Approving 2010-11 interim budget was then discussed. Brian explained rationale for separating clubs and classes: they are revenue and expense neutral for the PTSA. Various sections of the interim budget were discussed.

Renee asked about how we are going to be handling money that currently goes through the office. Brian suggested that next year's board make a decision on this in August or September.

**Brian will let Kathy H. and Dixie know about this issue, so that it can be on the agenda in August or September.**

**Melanie plans to bring up the Works budget for further discussion in the fall.**

**Aileen is going to look into getting a tax refund on the T-shirts.**

**Melanie will check with the teachers and the grants committee about the best time to start the first grant cycle for next year.**

Renee asked about the current plans for the Art Docent program. May meeting minutes were consulted.

**Brian will email Amy J. about Art Docent Feedback from teachers.**

**Mary L. will send an email to staff about the art docent program to elicit feedback. She will explain that the program will include 4 one hour art lessons during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year. Supplies and a teacher will be provided. This will be supported by the PTSA but occur during the school day.**

Chris suggested adding \$400 to the yearbook budget to purchase better cameras. Brian mentioned that we might want to consider adding more money to 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp, since it looks like we may have more money to spend next year. Brian explained that the final budget is not adopted until September. The interim budget allows us to spend money for items that occur before then, like the Back to School BBQ, and it gives members a chance to comment and make suggestions. Brian mentioned that the Principal's discretionary fund is increased due to expected car show revenue.

Kathy T. made a motion to adopt the interim budget. Mary C. seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. The interim budget was approved.

Vice Presidents Updates and Committee Reports :

Janina mentioned that the PTSA can buy paper through Sam Goei at cost.

Kathy T. wants to confirm that Ann Yee will do membership next year.

**Lorraine will email Ann and cc Kathy T. re: membership for next year so that Kathy T. and Ann can get in touch.**

Kathy wants to know who is doing Reflections next year. Janina and Renee think that Connie Berkbigler and Shannon Brown have volunteered for this.

President's Report , Part II:

Brian has tentatively set Tues Aug 10<sup>th</sup> as the first EC Board Meeting for 2010-11.

**Brian will confirm this date with Kathy H. and Dixie and send everyone an email with the date/time confirmed.**

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Lorraine M. Flaherty, secretary