

**MPA Parents Association
Executive Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday March 8th, 2018
8:15 a.m.
Room 174**



Mission: To be an effective community building arm of Mounds Park Academy focusing on awareness and inclusivity of our diverse community.

Business	Approver
Meeting Called to Order	President
Approval of Prior Months Meeting Minutes	President
Approval of Agenda	President

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- Agenda (Wendy)

Discussion Items

- Event Debrief:
 - Parent Ed Events in Lower and Middle School
 - White Out Dance
- Micro-funding Requests
 - received 2/16/18 - LS Music equipment \$2,114
 - received 2/19/18 - Pianos on Parade \$245
 - received 2/22/18 - Spirit Committee tent \$2,500
 - received 2/27/18 - Environmental club \$100
- Other
 - April 12, 2018 Mission Planning Meeting
 - Succession Planning

Division Chair Updates

- LS Division Chair: Christine Larson and Heidi Nelson (Both Present)
- MS Division Chair: Kim Jakway (Present)
- US Division Chair: Amanda Campbell and Elizabeth Esch (Both Present)

Other Board Member Updates

- Co-Presidents: Wendy Cusick (Present)
- Co-President Elects: Seema Anwar & Ginnie Peterson (Both Present)
- Treasurer: Tricia Hutton (Present)
- Secretary: Cari Simonson (Present)
- Tara Lafferty (Staff & Faculty) and Mary Messner (Micro-Funding) – (Both Present)

Parent Ed Events in LS & MS:

- Well Organized

White Out Dance:

- Went Well
- Need more volunteers at the doors to monitor
- 4:30-5 witching hour

Micro-Fund Requests (\$1300 left in budget if MS uses the \$700 for Ordway, \$2000 if they don't)

- LS Music Equipment – Ms Espeland has requested funds for a music specific white board. The board would like to see if Ms Wright will add the price of the board to the budget for next school year, then the PA could purchase the accessories. More investigation is needed to see if the school has already said no to this or not, as it seems that it would be an integral part of her curriculum. TABLED for now.
- Pianos on Parade – Ms Sonka has requested money for moving and tuning a piano that an alum would like to donate to school. The money would allow her to use this specific piano for the annual piano painting, instead of a random piano that would be given to her by Keys for Kids. YES vote 6 Yays, 4 Nays
- Spirit Committee Tent – There is confusion as to whether this is a tent that would keep kids warm between events or if it is a tent that would be used to wax skis. The board is wondering if this should be an athletic department request rather than a spirit committee request. TABLED for now.
- Environmental Club – Ms Nagle has requested \$100 to keep up the garden. The EC club would do the work. YES to this.
- Single Board Computer Bundle/Micro Bits – Ms Kitch and Ms Nagle have requested this Science and Tech collaboration of a kit to be shared between them. Board has questions. Is it reusable? How many kids can use it? Would there be a reoccurring fee? TABLED for now.
- Board feels that we need to communicate the purpose of micro-funding better. Educate faculty on relaying to possible requesters that funds are available.

Other:

- Succession planning – Open spots for next year so far, treasurer and secretary

Budget:

- Checking with Nancy Lage to see if she got the Used Book procedes from Ger in the business office yet. Also need to check where the café money is.

Book Fest/Nostalgia week 2019:

- Book fest will be held the last week in February
- Nostalgia week will be the first week in March

National Teacher Appreciation Day:

- May 8 is teacher appreciation day
- Idea to assign a parent to a teacher and have them bring them a cup of coffee
- Poll teachers to find out some of their favorite things. Use sign-up genius for parents to sign up.
- Idea for carpool karaoke – Song input for appropriateness. Add ½ hour assembly on Friday that week to view videos. Involve Natalie Seum. Coffee just for teachers, possible do a different treat every day that week. Treats based on questionnaires (110 Teachers). Meet the week before spring break to get a solid plan on carpool karaoke.