

**MPA Parents Association
Executive Board Meeting Recap
Thursday February 9, 2017
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
LS Conference Room**



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

Welcome

- Introductions – TWO NEW 2017/2018 BOARD MEMBER GUESTS, SEEMA ANWAR AND PAT BRYANT, SHADOWING THE MEETING
- January Meeting Minutes – Review & Approve – APPROVED BY ALL (Because they are so fabulous)

Document Distribution

- Agenda (Amanda/Christine)
- Budget (Tricia)
- New Tax ID – 4488031 (Amanda/Christine) – HAVE A LETTER STATING THE NEW NUMBER, BUT NOT THE ACTUAL CERTIFICATE
- Parents Association Bylaws (Amanda/Christine) – REVIEW FOR NEXT MEETING SO THEY CAN BE REFRESHED FOR THE CURRENT YEAR

Discussion

- Budget – Review: Any questions/comments? – ALL GOOD SO FAR, NO CONCERNS, AND TAXES HAVE BEEN FILED
- MPA Communications Update (Christine) – USE STANDARD FONTS AND COLORS FOR PAPERS AND USE PAINTERS TAPE TO HANG POSTERS
- Upcoming Events:
 - Book Festival (Family Night) – DINNER WILL BE SERVED BY SAGE (FREE TO GUESTS, WILL HAVE A DONATION BOX OUT). THERE WILL BE A GAME ROOM SET UP IN THE KREISCHER GYM WITH SLIME MAKING, APPLES ON TOP AND A FEW OTHER GAMES. AN AIRBRUSH TATTOO ARTIST HAS BEEN HIRED. THERE WILL ALSO BE A SCAVENGER HUNT AND HOP ON POP HOPSCOTCH TO DIRECT FAMILIES TO THE BOOK STORE. FOR EVERY BOOK PURCHASED YOU WILL GET A RAFFLE TICKET FOR A CHANCE TO WIN FOUR TICKETS TO THE SNEETCHES PLAY AT CHILDRENS THEATER. THERE ARE AROUND 30 RSVP'S SO FAR. LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT YEAR – WE WILL REQUEST THE WEEK OF 2/12 (M-TH) FOR BOOK FESTIVAL. THAT WILL GIVE US A ONE WEEK BREAK BETWEEN THE FESTIVAL AND NOSTALGIA WEEK/MS CAFÉ. FAMILY NIGHT WOULD BE ON TUESDAY 2/13.
 - MS Café – FRENCH CAFÉ THEME. PEOPLE ARE MAKING THE DECORATIONS FOR THE CAFÉ. LS KIDS CAN GO THROUGH THE CAFÉ BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL WITH A PARENT OR OLDER SIBLING. A DONATION SIGN UP WILL BE IN THE MS OFFICE AND POSSIBLY ON THE COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD AT SOME POINT.
 - White Out Dance – TINA JAIN WILL COORDINATE THIS YEAR WITH KAREN AND JERRY FRANCOIS SHADOWING SO THEY CAN TAKE OVER COORDINATING FOR NEXT YEARS DANCE. THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE LANSING SPORTS

CENTER AND WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY 3/10. PIZZA WILL BE SERVED AFTER SCHOOL. LS CHILDREN NEED AN ADULT PRESENT TO ATTEND THE DANCE. LS KIDS ARE INVITED TO WEAR WHITE THAT DAY. THERE WILL ALSO BE MS AND US DANCES THE SAME EVENING.

- Cultural Celebrations – Passover – STILL GATHERING NAMES OF PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO HELP COORDINATE THIS EVENT.

Division Chair Updates

- Co-Presidents: Amanda & Christine – Projects – BOTH IN ATTENDANCE
- Board of Trustees Rep: Karen – Update – IN ATTENDANCE – BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE – AMANDA CAMPBELL WILL TAKE THIS ROLE NEXT YEAR. THE PERSON IN THIS POSITION IS THE LIASON TO BOT AND PA BOARD. THEY REVIEW THE MINUTES AND GIVE HIGHLIGHTS TO THE BOT.
- Treasurer: Tricia – Report – IN ATTENDANCE
- Secretary: Cari – Report – IN ATTENDANCE
- LS Division Chair: Wendy – Report – IN ATTENDANCE – *MAKER SPACE UPDATE* – THERE WILL BE A MEETING ON 2/13 TO ANNOUNCE THE LOCATION OF THE NEW SPACE. IT WILL BE HIGH TECH, LOW TECH AND NO TECH. IT WILL BE THE ONLY ONE IN MN AND IS EXPECTED TO BE READY BY FALL. *VALENTINES DAY PARTY UPDATE* – PARTY WILL BE ON 2/14 IS ALL PLANNED AND READY TO GO.
- MS Division Chair: Kim – Report – IN ATTENDANCE
- US Division Chair: Elizabeth – Report – NOT IN ATTENDANCE

OTHER NOTABLES –

- THE 2017/2018 PA BOARD POSITIONS ARE MOSTLY FIGURED OUT AND ARE AS FOLLOWS –

CO-PRESIDENTS – WENDY CUSICK AND PAT WYANT

VICE PRESIDENT – SEEMA ANWAR (HOPING TO FIND SOMEONE TO CO-VP WITH)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – AMANDA CAMPBELL

TREASURER – TRICIA HUTTON

SECRETARY – CARI SIMONSON

LS DIVISION CHAIR – CHRISTINE LARSON

MS DIVISION CHAIR – KIM JAKWAY

US DIVISION CHAIR – HAVE TWO PEOPLE IN MIND THAT ARE BEING ASKED

- TARA LAFFERTY IS WILLING TO HEAD THE STAFF AND FACULTY APPRECIATION FOR NEXT YEAR.

Next PA Executive Board Meeting is Thursday March 9, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. Thank you for ALL you do!

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