

March PTO Meeting Notes 3-28-2022 @6:30 pm

PTO Attendees: Kim Jensen, Michelle Kloncz, Annette Smith, Diane Thiegs, Dr. Lela Olson

Parent Attendees: Michelle Weschcke, Pauline Ho, Rayleisha Creighton-Lewis

Treasurer Report—Annette Smith presented the budget. Pizza Day is back! Another restaurant night fundraiser is coming up (thanks Diane!). Looking into additional options for Spirit Wear since current sales are lagging.

- **Pizza Day**—Pizza Day on Wednesday was a big success! The switch to Domino's has boosted PTO profit margin. It has been a struggle to get enough volunteers. Now that we're no longer pre-ordering pizza slices, PTO is looking to move Pizza Day back to Friday because more parents would be available to volunteer.
- **Spirit Wear**—Currently still available on Redbubble and Amazon but continuing to look into expansion options.
- **Scripts Fundraiser**—This fundraising option offers gift cards from hundreds of different vendors, all available for online purchase and are also printable. Once the PTO is authorized for this fundraiser, a small percentage of every sale will go directly to the PTO. Kim will work on getting this program set up.

Pi Day was a huge success and a lot of fun for both students and staff! Pauline suggested doing some fun activities at lunchtime on a weekly basis to help liven things up and improve mental health at MSA. Many kids have noticed a lack of community since Covid lockdowns. Suggestions included music, candy bar prizes, etc.—something to make them laugh. The PTO will think about it and try to come up with a plan.

Upcoming Events—

- **April Event for Teachers**— PTO has committed to monthly events to appreciate MSA staff. We had tentatively planned a yogurt, fruit, and granola bar, but Pauline volunteered to purchase Bruegger's bagels and cream cheese. On April 6, she will deliver 3 boxes of bagels by 7:45 am in time 8 am staff meeting. Pauline is open to parent donations to help offset the cost.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6)**—We want to show MSA teachers and staff how much we appreciate them! PTO plans to put out an announcement to solicit donations via the PTO Paypal account. Diane will help with the wording. Tentative plan to offer four different Panera box lunch options for delivery on Tuesday or Wednesday of that week.
- **Prom**—Mrs. Babb is coordinating this event and will use the PTO budgeted funds.
- **Graduation Reception**—It was decided that the PTO will return to sponsoring the MSA graduation reception now that Covid restrictions have eased. MSA parent Michelle Weschcke of *Woodbury Picture Perfect* created personalized graduation yard signs last year (18x24-inch signs, full color, and printed on both sides). Michelle will connect with the coordinator of the senior party to potentially arrange the sale of lawn signs as a fundraiser to help offset senior party expenses.
- **PTO Officers Election (May 2nd)**—Parents interested in being part of the PTO should send an email to info@msapto.org
- Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Next PTO Meeting Dates—Next meeting is May 2nd @6:30 pm in the Great Hall of Building A.