

**Friends of MRMS/HWRHS**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 2, 2016**

**Attendees:** Tess Leary, Dorothy Goudie, Kelly Heney, Jackie Belezos, Cori Shea

**Review and Approval of April Minutes** – delayed for Approval at June Meeting

**Treasurer's Report** – Delayed for approval at June Meeting

**MRMS Principal Report – Craig Hovey**

- PARCC starts this week continues for the next 2 weeks (T W TH Eng & Math) – a lot of testing for one month
- MCAS May 17/18 Science 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Only
- Opting Out – Some have opted out of testing - school held harmless for scores BUT MA Commissioner says 95% must participate to be a level 1 school. 90% Level III Regardless of score. MRMS is honoring opt outs .
- Everything is changing next year – This year a Significant period of transition
- ONE ACTS “Fighting Giants” won GOLD Medal. Student written Play about divorce. “Impressive and Real” 30-40 min
- Speaker – Ed Davis Sponsored by League of Women Voters – Civics Engagement Series , for HS and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, 4/28
- Anti-Defamation League Workshops for both Staff and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students.
- Hired Marybeth Ting as new MRMS School Nurse
- Interviewing for 2<sup>nd</sup> Mandarin teachers. Need to develop 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Curriculum - Have to be careful about growing the program too fast; will have 2 Spanish/2 mandarin FT Teacher and 1 PT Spanish Teacher
- Language Mtg for Parents May 10 @ 7 pm in the MPR – Craig, Kevan Sano, MRMS Spanish Teacher
- Washington DC Parent Meeting: May 4
- Spring Concert May 18
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Move Up Meeting May 31
- Dance for 6/7 grade – June 3 - Advance Tickets only
- June 9 – Science Fair
- June 15-17 – Wash DC Trip
- June 23 Challenge Day
- June 24 Filing Out @ 10 am – will coord with Elementary Schools for schedules
- New Hot Water heater for MS/HS
- Grow Wall in Café – Danielle Petrucci - plants will come from Company

**HS Scholarship** – Donations Email - Tess to send

**Fundraising Ideas –**

- Need Chair for next year
- Free Trade Coffee

**Teacher Appreciation** – THIS WEEK!

**Teacher Luncheon** – Wed may 25<sup>th</sup>

- \$\$ Donations for Lunch

**8th Grade Dance** – June 18

- Can they use the Friends PayPal Acct for dance donations? Tess to find out

**Next Meeting** – June 13<sup>th</sup> – DATE change