

Friends of MRMS/ HWRHS
Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2015

Attendees: Lori Bouchard, Tess Leary, Jen Caufield, Dorothy Goudie, Bryan Menegoni, Liz Lovell, Sally Ryan Shaw, Dana Allara, Julie Flynn, Lori Johnson, Kelly Allen, Amy Desimone, Kelly Heney, Kelly Norris.

Meeting Minutes: Presented by Jen Caufield and unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Dorothy Goudie.

- Taxes filed both fed and state.
- Receipts: Dues and Directory \$
- Exp: Paid MA Tax filing fees, Ice Cream Social
- Treas Report Presented and Unanimously approved

Thanks Alice Michel for YEARS of service - lots of work

Principal's Report

Craig Hovey:

- Curriculum Night was well attended – Feedback to add time to each classroom for more time for info. – add time to allow class change
- Parent Tech Night: Oct 19th @ 6:30 pm hosted by Johanna Wilson
Intro to Tech, Google Classroom, Aspen
- Birds of Prey Req – approved
- SC voted to approve DC trip proposal for 8th Grade – June 15-17
Approx \$725 per student – incl: food, transport, hotel, tours
Possible Parent meeting at end of month with CLOSEUP (travel Co)
Class Reps to help Coord some fundraising efforts.
Hoping to have all teacher chaperones (15)– Parents if needed TBD
1:10 Teacher : Student Ratio
- NEW Learning Spaces: Table on Playground, Outdoor Classroom/Chairs out the back door. Want to add Chalkboard etc
Computer lab / MPR Use
- Landscaping Needs : Front of Bldg – season planting, could we use sponsors for the beautification?
- WIN Block – LONG discussion about this time and kids not being allowed to do homework. Sitting and doing nothing. Using Phones. Have not been allowed to go to lib. Cannot work on project unless outline approved prior to block.
Craig knows this is a work in progress and working the kinks out. Agrees right now it is messy.
Block is designed for enrichment and projects, teacher help etc. Hoping to have more solid plan by end Oct/Nov. Working with consultant once/month to “build the block”. Teachers need to be told what can and cannot be done during the block NOW.

Bryan Menegoni

- Beginning of the year has been “smooth & quiet”. The upperclassmen have set the tone
- Tech Issue at start of year with Google Classroom has been resolved. Seemed to be Natl Problem with Google not HW
- Girls Soccer Team is currently undefeated
- Question: Teachers use both Edmodo and Google , Will All use one at one point? The district would have to set this policy to make all use one
- New Schedule Feedback –
Seems like kids are all in same classes through out the day (freshman)
Students are feeling more pressure/work since all classes meet at least 4x a week.

Small School – limited sections of classes. Admin was charged to create a tighter more efficient schedule

Seems like less electives (i.e. Gym) - Bryan does not remember cutting any electives. Prob less blocks offered

Dana Allara – EdFund

- 25 Years
- Edfund supports Innovation – Risk Taking, Pilots, thinking outside the curriculum.
- Funded Projects: Hydroponic Garden, IPADS, Language and MRMS
- Halloween Party Fundraiser – Oct 30th @ Danversport

INNISBROOK – Lori Bouchard

- Oct 13th Closes
- Online currently \$850, Offline Order Forms in office
- Donation instead of Purchase? Yes, email check to school
- 40% of total sales goes to Friends
- Incentives:
 - TEAM highest Sales – Pizza Party
 - TOP Grade – Highest Sales – Ice Cream Party
 - Top Sellers - \$100, \$50, \$50 GCs

OPEN POSITIONS

- BOX TOPS – Kelly Norris & Lori Bucci (6th Grade)
- CROSBY's – Tina Mastrocola (7th Grade) engage kids
- Staff Breakfasts at MS/HS – Amy Desimone / Kelly Heney
- Luncheon
- 8th Grade Dance

School Committee – Stacey Metternick

- Facilities Master Plan Presentation – Oct 8th. Presentation from Gayle Assoc. Discussing Turf Field . Trying to bring all sports fields back to the HS except swimming
- League of Women Voters – Working with SC to develop Civics Curriculum with MRMS. Field Trips, speakers, Civics Bee.

DIRECTORY – email was sent last week, sending again from principals.

School Store/Generals Gear –

- Online Store Oct 20? Open 3 weeks. Popup store – in HS Space
- Jewelry – (Tina Mastrocola) Selective Sterling Pieces this year
Oct/Nov timing

Friends Meeting Suggestion:

- Alternate Focus of meeting from MS/HS to every other month
- Principal Coffee on opposite month?

Treasurer's Position Nomination: Dorothy Goudie and Amy Landon as Co-Treasurers. Jen Caufield Motioned, Unanimous Vote approved.

Meeting Adjourned 10:20 am

Next Meeting: Nov 9th - MRMS Miles River Room

