

September PTO Mins - 9/12/16

1. President's report - thank you to everyone who helped get the year started off so well. Clerical, kindergarten helpers, book store - THANK YOU!!!
 - a. Back to School items:
 - i. Schoolkidz Supply kits went very well. Locked in at same price for next year. PTO made \$750.
 - ii. New PTO website - /weebly
 - iii. Membership - 100 families & 50% of teachers so far; \$6 per family pay4schoolstuff.com. any families who sign up by end of September get 1 free raffle ticket for Stingerfest
 - b. PTO t-shirts - pick yours up if you ordered it from Sara. More are available. The NC shirts with Matthews on them (different color as teachers) will be available for purchase.
 - c. Board nomination - add Kathryn Carver on Corp. Contributions - motion passed.
- Motion to add another member to Boxtops - passed.
 - d. Go/Play/Save - deadline is this Friday. \$30 each.
2. Treasurers' Report - motion passed.
Raised about \$80,000 last year; 50% went to technology, 25% - classrooms, 15% - picnic 10% community.
3. Secretary's Report - motion passed.
4. First VP/Volunteer Coordinator - if you want to see if there are any new names to help with your committee, see Liz. She can help with signup genius as well.
 - a. Clerical - lots of openings for volunteers
 - b. School store - started new Spirit wear sales - ongoing. Delivered at end of September. Open from 7:15-7:45am.
Volunteers needed on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.
Agendas still for sale.
 - c. Room parents - Templeton & Batista need a room mom.
 - d. Book Fair - October 17-21
5. Second VP/ - Donuts for Dads - October 21 - online registration on pay4schoolsite.com. Open to anyone (parent, guardian, etc - more than welcome)
 - a. Corp. Contributions - boxtops, VIC cards, Amazonsmile, Shoparoo.
-Boxtops - look for sheet to come home in October.
- Info on all of these on the PTO website.
-will be setting up dates to stand outside of Harris Teeter to ask people to link cards.
-pay4school.com - link VIC card
-Shoparoo - open app, take pic of receipt and we earn money.
 - b. Yearbook - custom cover. Will need pictures to be sent throughout the year. Email info will come in the newsletter. Pics must be in FULL resolution.
 - c. Newsletter info is due to Alicia on Thursdays.

6. Third VP/Reading Bee - Friday, September 30th, 1-2pm - kids get ice cream & books for reading 60 days or more over the summer. Need 10-12 volunteers.

a. Stingerfest - Saturday, Oct. 8th from 12-4pm

-wristbands will go on sale - Sept. 20 - \$10 each, will be on sale at Curriculum night

-Stinger jail

-Silent auction

-Fun Mugs Photo booth - \$500 - looking for sponsors & will charge a nominal fee to off set costs. Motion passed.

- Baskets - collected \$285 from classrooms currently. Have ready by first week of Oct.

-Need volunteers & need tents (may drop on Friday the 7th)

Help raise \$ for 5th grade field trip. At Stingerfest & Bingo night, 5th graders will work certain booths.

b. Family Nights - 2 spirit nights a month.

Sept. 20th - Marios

c. Staff Hospitality - welcome cart went well.

7. Teachers' Report - kindergarten said thank you for the help.

8. Principal Report - Every 2 years, teachers complete a teacher working condition survey.

Highlights:

-Last year started a Double-block of planning once a week.

-Technology ratios - last year -4.43 student to 1 device. Now is 2 students per device.

-As a school, Matthews put 1\$0,000 from classroom supplies to technology.

-97% of teachers feel like MES is a great place to work.

-4.78% - exceeded growth expectations across the board last year

Next meeting - Tuesday, October 4th