

Metro PTO Meeting Minutes February 14, 2024

Welcome and introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm
- Introductions by those in attendance
- Reminder of meeting norms

Approval of [PTO Meeting Minutes January 2024](#)

Motion to approve made by Minyon, seconded by Linda. Minutes approved.

Reports

- Principal's Report (Dr. T)
 - Metro's Speech and Debate and Model UN appreciated the support from PTO.
 - Metro was able to secure 12 Missouri Scholar Program nominations. Students were selected based on GPA and PACT score.
 - Coach Dominic Martin is no longer a Building Learning Associate or Coach for the Metro Girls Basketball team after being placed on leave pending an investigation for misconduct and other violations of SLPS policy, Coach Martin had decided to resign. Coach Cory Ivy has been appointed as the new Girls Basketball head coach.
 - Metro is in the process of hiring a Girls Soccer coach.
 - Dr. Mariely Perez will be joining the Metro Team very soon as a Building Learning Associate until the end of the year.
 - ACT is scheduled for April 9, 2024, for all juniors. We have extra ACT Prep books, and any student can get one from the bookroom until they are all gone.
 - Metro will have a Freshmen Academy during the summer, 4-6 weeks for all incoming 9th grade students with a focus on Mathematics and English focus on writing. Students will be able to receive credit.
 - Metro needs an English teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - The Class of 2024 will receive between 6-8 tickets for graduation. More details to come once the number of seats being used by the Metro Team and SLPS technology is known.
 - Attendance—must contact the school at 314-534-3894 to report absences for it to reflect verified—we will be enforcing the attendance policy for of 90% to participate school activities and athletics.
 - Tuesday, April 23, 2024, will be the meeting for Incoming 9th Grade Students at Metro and district wide.
 - I want to share with ALL families—mandatory after school tutoring and Metro Learning Academy on Saturdays should not be viewed as punitive. It should be viewed as academic supports that we are providing so that students can achieve success. It is important for families to partner with us and have their student attend if they receive an "F" letter grade. So please be kind to ALL of us.

- President (Lisa)
 - Thanks to BSU and DEI Committee for everything done for Black History Month.
 - Celebrated school counselors and social worker the week of February 5. Each received a card, Amazon gift card, and big chocolate bar.
 - Huge thanks to Molly Koebbe for assisting to reserve the pavilion at Tower Grove Park for Freshman Welcome Picnic. Tentatively August 17, 2024.
 - Thanks to junior class reps. for First Friday Breakfast on February 2, 2024. Catered by Hollyberry Catering.
- Treasurer (Jennifer)
 - See attached budget
 - Expenses
 - First Friday Breakfast
 - Teacher grant
 - Deposit for Senior Lock In
 - Income
 - Received first Trivia night table payment
 - Asked the board to consider what we can do with surplus at the end of the year, will be discussed at a future meeting.
- Committee heads
 - Diversity – (Angel)
 - Sending daily black history facts. Will continue through Friday 3/1/23.
 - Working to confirm the dates for the two Metro Alumni Zoom calls, late February and March. 2-3 alums per call to share their experiences.
 - BSU Update (read from student notes)
 - Thanks for support with family night
 - Raised ~\$1,400 (pending expenses)
 - Plans are to use funds to buy materials for culture festival and possible field trip
 - Culture festival will run over 2 days (D-day schedule)
 - Spoken word
 - Musical piece
 - Vogue fashion show
 - Princess and Frog scene
 - Soul Food catering
 - Beautification (Patti)
 - Will hold two events this spring
 - Prep possibly over spring break
 - Planting late April.
 - Spring Recognition Night – (Patti)
 - Patti will follow up with Dr. T and Coach T for a date
 - Will use Print Haven for part of the coaches gift
- Class Reps
 - Senior – senior lock in will be held on Monday, May 20th. Will be booking entertainment soon. Will house notes in PTO Google Drive.

- Junior – First Friday went well. Food was delivered and set up at 6:30 am. Teachers seemed pleased with what was provided.
- Sophomore – First Friday preparation.
- Freshman – No rep. present
- Student Council – No one present

Old News

- Book Fair – Left Bank Books (Christina)
 - The library credit from our fundraiser is credit is \$2478.57.
- Trivia – (Linda)
 - Saturday, April 27, 2024, at Immaculate Heart of Mary. \$25/person and \$200/table.
 - Reaching out for donations. Has list and will look for help via signup genius.
 - There are a few challenges with the new contact since the merger but Linda has a handle on it.
- Booster Club
 - Fund drive is going but funds are slow to come in.
 - Jennifer gave Denise access to membership toolkit and a template for Booster Club to use. Patti to communicate this.
 - PTO will discuss ways to possibly provide a grant to Booster Club.

New Business

- Lisa and Minyon will be working on teacher appreciation week (May 6th). More details to come.
- Teacher grants (Students on the Go \$500; Anatomy field trip \$1,000; Music \$156)
- PTO offered to cover BSU expense for security/custodian from Family night. Motioned and seconded. BSU to provide the cost that PTO needs to cover.

7:50 Adjourn

Mark Your Calendars:

1. PRESIDENTS DAY NO SCHOOL - February 19
2. NHS Induction - March 6
3. QUARTER 3 ENDS - March 8
4. PARENT-TEACHER CONFRENCES - March 11-14
5. SPRING BREAK - March 18-22
6. ACT (Juniors) - April 9
7. SENIOR PROM - April 13
8. TRIVIA NIGHT - April 27
9. SENIOR LUNCHEON - May 3
10. SENIOR LOCK IN - May 20
11. GRADUATION - May 18
12. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - May 23

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Metro PTO 2023-2024		Starting Balance		\$64,410.57
INCOME	Fundraising Goal (100%)	Funds Raised Over Budget	YTD Totals	
Fund Drive (less transaction fees)	\$ 24,000.00		\$21,657.07	
Trivia (Net Total) - April 2024	\$ 19,000.00		\$ 193.61	
Total Income	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (23,149.32)	\$21,850.68	
EXPENSES	Budget*	Remaining	YTD Totals	
<u>SPONSORED EVENTS</u>				
Freshman Welcome	\$ 500.00	\$ 221.32	\$ 278.68	
Cookie Break-Open House	\$ 250.00	\$ 159.42	\$ 90.58	
Book Fair	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	
Homecoming	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	
Spring Fling	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	
2023 Senior Class Expenses	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 800.00	
Student Activities	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ -	
Field Day	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -	
<u>TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION</u>				
Welcome Baskets & Lunch	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 339.52	\$ 660.48	
First Friday Breakfast	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 1,273.07	\$ 2,326.93	
Teacher Meals	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,865.79	\$ 134.21	
Recognition Reception	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	
MSSHA Awards - Coach Gifts	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	
Teacher & Staff Appreciation	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -	
<u>CLASSROOM & SCHOOL SUPPORT</u>				
Teaching Materials-Metro Grant	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,101.54	\$ 4,898.46	
Health and Wellness	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	
Naviance Software	\$ 6,850.00	\$ (178.08)	\$ 7,028.08	
<u>PTO EXPENSES</u>				
General Expenses/Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ (402.86)	\$ 902.86	
Membership Toolkit (Online Directory)	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -	
Fund Drive Marketing	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
Beautification	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,202.01	\$ 1,797.99	
Total Expenses	\$ 49,050.00	\$ 26,631.73	\$20,418.27	
<u>Approved Using Prior Years' Funds</u>				
	Approved	Remaining	Spent	
STL City Field Deposit (refundable)	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ (500.00)	
Senior Sunrise 2023 Food	\$ 100.00	\$ 3.75	\$ (96.25)	
April 2023 Trivia - expenses	\$ -	\$ (209.47)	\$ (209.47)	
April 2023 Trivia - matching donation	\$ (2,400.00)	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	
Picnic Tables (5)	\$ 6,684.69	\$ -	\$ (6,684.69)	
Replacement checks (May 2023)	\$ 640.48	\$ -	\$ (640.48)	
NET CHANGE (July 2023-June 2024):			\$ (4,298.48)	
			Ending Balance:	\$50,112.09

Balance Summary	2/12/2024
Commerce Bank Balance	\$ 51,034.09
<u>Pending Items:</u>	
check #1036	\$ (500.00)
check #1037	\$ (472.00)
deposit - PayPal	\$ 50.00
Total Balance Available	\$ 50,112.09