

Metro PTO Meeting Minutes November 8, 2023

Welcome and introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 6:30
- Introductions by those in attendance
- Meeting Norms were reviewed

Approval of [PTO Meeting Minutes October 2023](#)

Motion to approve made by Ami, seconded by Angel. **Minutes approved.**

Reports

- Principal's Report (Dr. T)
 - First Friday Breakfast, thank you! The breakfast pizzas were a hit.
 - Girls Cross Country placed 7th out of 84 schools.
 - Lucy Luekemeyer and Yuri Malone medaled at the event.
 - Boys Soccer Quarterfinal at Bishop DuBourg 1:00 pm 11/11/23.
 - School wide day of service 11/15/23.
 - Several elementary schools
 - Two middle schools
 - ARJ/BSU partnership
 - Little Bit Foundation
 - National Parent Engagement Day 11/16/23. More information to come from Dr. Mitchell.
 - Grab and Go breakfast
 - Spend 2 hours with your student
 - Practice ACT is scheduled for Wed. 11/16/23. Scores are used for the MO Scholars program. Dr. T has asked for extra slots not used by other schools.
 - Program coordinator shared that the preference is to not have a lot of students from one particular school.
 - Jostens will be at Metro on 11/17/23 for juniors and seniors.
 - Unable to place Jostens order since the district has yet to announce our graduation date.
 - Still a lot of conversation around graduation. Hope to have an update soon (11/14/23).
 - Picture retakes are in discussion. Date to be announced.
 - Prom is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th, Barnett on Washington.
 - Senior luncheon is Friday, May 3rd at the Christy.
 - Attendance is well, Only 7 students in the red. Reminder to parents to verify absences. Will still be an absence on record but will be verified.
 - Soft lockdown due to an active shooter at Ranken Technical College.
 - Concerns with the lack of communication from the College to the District under the SLPS/Ranken partnership.
 - Procedure for when school goes on lockdown was discussed. Concerns were shared with the district about the lack of communication.
 - Recruitment for 2024 – We have over 340 applications. Dr. T and Dr. Haymore will begin reviewing all applications soon.

- President (Lisa)
 - Thanks sophomore first Friday breakfast. Angel mentioned freshman parent rep. may need guidance.
 - Thanks to Patti for coordinating a successful beautification event.
 - Idea under consideration: Teacher appreciation potluck in December.
- Treasurer (Jen)
 - See attached budget.
 - Reviewed new payments since last meeting.
 - Provided update to Fund Drive income so far. Addressed potential budget concerns if the goal is not made. (\$5-6K decrease)
 - Put out the message that any donation amount helps! Discussed creative communications.
 - Motion by Jen to approve a \$550 expense to amend our 501c3 to allow for donations by corporations and trust. Seconded by Lisa. **Motion approved.**
- Committee heads
 - Beautification – Patti
 - 35 students, 3-4 teachers, 7-8 parents and Dr. T.
 - 5 old picnic tables broken down and discarded; replace by new ones. Others were painted to match.
 - Hydrangeas were planted. The irrigation system will be placed in the spring.
 - Still 4 yards of mulch to move. Hoping to schedule another mini day to take care of this.
 - Discussion about outdoor trash can. There is concern about how it will be emptied.
 - Recognition (School Clubs) – Patti – nothing at this time.
 - Diversity – Angel
 - November is Native American Heritage Month, announcement with links was sent.
 - Working on alumni event. Tentative dates are Dec. 5, 6, or 7. Will be a virtual event,
 - Trivia – Linda
 - Trying to nail down date and venue. There was a conflict with the preferred vendor for our planned date. Now looking into a couple other venues and dates (20th and 27th).
 - Book Fair – Christina – @ Left Bank Books
 - Waiting on teacher book lists.
 - We will push the flier as soon the book lists are published.
 - Fair dates are 11/27-12/15 online in person 12/8-12/10.
 - Service hours will be available. Ms. Kukay is handling the service hour sign-ups.
 - 2nd feeler will post to Facebook and be sent via membership toolkit.
- Teacher Grants
- Booster Club/Metro wear update (Satyen)
 - Finalizing paperwork for 501c3.
 - Collected information from coaches for funds needed. Estimated \$30k for initial budget. 40% of that is must have for fees/uniforms/equipment.

- Alumni Association Basketball game 11/18/23 12:30 pm Matthew Dickey \$10 admission.
- Metrowear store will open and close for Christmas gifts. Can open multiple times.
- Cheerleader potential fundraiser.
- Class Reps
 - Senior - Graduation date needed. The YMCA is holding a tentative date of May 19th for the lock in.
 - Junior – No update
 - Sophomore –No update
 - Freshman – No one present. Lisa will follow up to prepare for December first Friday.
 - Student Council – No one present

New Business

- Announcement of BSU 2nd annual Family Fun Night – club fundraiser.
 - Mid to late January (12th, 19th, or 26th) Need approval of the date from Dr. T. 6-8 pm
 - Open to entire Metro community
 - Room sponsors needed
 - Other fundraising: 50/50 raffle, general donations, and sale of food/drinks
- Teacher Grants
 - Ms. Clark \$350 for NHS mural supplies
 - Ms. Foster \$200 meals for Speech and Debate tournaments
 Motion to approve by Lisa, seconded by Tiffani. **Motion Approved**
- Pete the Panther is missing

7:42 Adjourn

Mark Your Calendars:

1. THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY - November 20-24
2. PTO Meeting - December 13
3. WINTER BREAK - December 20- January 3
4. PTO Meeting - January 10
5. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY - January 15
6. PTO Meeting - February 14
7. PRESIDENTS DAY NO SCHOOL - February 19

Need to reach us?

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Metro PTO 2023-2024		Starting Balance		\$54,410.57
INCOME	Fundraising Goal (100%)	Funds Raised Over Budget	YTD Totals	
Fund Drive (less transaction fees)	\$ 24,000.00		\$ 5,523.37	
Trivia (Net Total) - April 2024	\$ 19,000.00		\$ -	
Total Income	\$ 45,000.00	\$ (39,476.63)	\$ 5,523.37	
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	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	
2023 Senior Class Expenses	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	
Junior Class Event	\$ 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	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 2,823.51	\$ 776.49	
Teacher Meals	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,894.29	\$ 105.71	
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	\$ 6,186.19	\$ 1,813.81	
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	\$ 147.14	\$ 352.86	
Membership Toolkit (Online Directory)	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -	
Fund Drive Marketing	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
Beautification	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,317.37	\$ 1,682.63	
Total Expenses	\$ 49,050.00	\$ 36,260.68	\$ 12,789.32	
Approved Using Prior Years' Funds				
	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	\$ -	\$ (209.47)	\$ (209.47)	
Picnic Tables (5)	\$ 6,684.69	\$ -	\$ (6,684.69)	
NET CHANGE (July 2023-June 2024):			\$ (14,450.64)	
			Ending Balance: \$39,654.21	

Balance Summary	11/6/2023
Commerce Bank	\$ 39,765.44
Pending Items:	
Ray Mrozewski	(181.23)
PayPal Deposit	70.00
Total Balance Available	\$39,654.21