

**Metro PTO Meeting
December 14, 2022**

Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting called to order at 6:34
- Parliamentarian Angel W. highlighted goals and meeting norms:
 - Goals:
 - Encourage parents' involvement in their child/childrens' education.
 - Support Metro staff, teachers and school community
 - Facilitate good communication between staff, parents, students & school community at Metro
 - Grounding Rules:
 - Keep in mind that we may agree to disagree.
 - Be respectful of others
 - Do not interrupt
 - Stay on topic
 - Some concerns/issues may or may not be resolved at this meeting

Approve November Meeting Minutes [PTO Minutes Nov. 2022](#)

- Motion to approve meeting minutes made Angel, seconded by Rebecca. It passes.

Chairperson Report

- Teacher Appreciation Activities
 - First Friday Breakfast for December was provided by freshmen parent representatives. Dr. T said it was much appreciated. January breakfast will be provided by senior parent representatives.
 - PTO will provide a Nacho Bar for teachers on Monday the 19th.
- Book Fair at Left Bank Books (Genyne provided report)
 - Sales were significantly lower this year. We made about \$500 in credit for Metro to use (last year was approximately \$1200 in credit).
 - Parent question: is it possible to do another book fair in the spring?
- Fund Drive (Tricia)
 - Currently at under half the \$20,000 goal.
 - Rebecca: Could they extend it through January? Offer a match?
 - Dr. T: We still don't have senior dues and activity fees paid either.
 - Lisa: If we don't make the goal, we will need to cut significant chunks from our budget, which would be pretty painful. Maybe we should extend the fund drive and make the case to the parent community about what their money provides/what would be cut.
- Trivia Night (Linda S.)
 - The date is secured at Immaculate Heart of Mary, April 22, \$200 deposit has been made, 6-10pm.
- Beautification (Patty)

- Patty to Dr. T: Do you want us to do an indoor beautification day? Dr. T: There is a closet that needs to be cleaned out. Mr. Lawler is coming up to finish putting together desks for the Spanish classroom.
- Patty and Dr. T will come up with a list of things that could be done by students at an indoor beautification day.
- Dr. T: Maybe there could an MLK Day of service
- Diversity Committee (Angel)
 - a. Angel: we had our virtual event last week with guest speaker Dr. Sherretta Butler-Barnes. We had 17 people attend, Dr. Butler-Barnes did a wonderful job and has offered to mentor students interested in social sciences.
 - b. The committee would like to partner with BSU for events in February.
 - c. Minyon: Is there a way to partner with the teachers to see if there is a way for students to get extra credit for attending the Zoom? Dr. T said that would be difficult, but they could definitely get community service hours.
 - d. Rebecca: Is there something you plan to do to address how full IB students who need an art credit to graduate? Dr. T: IB film is now considered a fine art credit

Treasurer's Report

METRO PTO TREASURER'S REPORT													
October 2022													
	2022-23 BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	YTD REMAINING	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
INCOME													
Carryover	\$ 12,115.65	\$ -	\$ 12,115.65	\$ 12,115.65	\$ 4,247.64	\$ 4,015.47	\$ 3,802.99	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Trivia Night	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00										
Annual Fund Drive	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 1,594.47	\$ 18,405.53				\$ 1,594.47						
Spirit Wear Store	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00										
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 49,115.65	\$ 1,594.47	\$ 47,521.18	\$ 12,115.65	\$ 4,247.64	\$ 4,015.47	\$ 5,397.46	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSES													
SPONSORED EVENTS													
Freshman Welcome	\$ 500.00	\$ 451.70	\$ 48.30	\$ 451.70									
Cookie Break - Open House	\$ 250.00	\$ 52.33	\$ 197.67	\$ 52.33									
Book Fair	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00										
Homecoming	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00										
Trivia Night	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00										
Spring Fling	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00										
Senior Class Expenses	\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	\$ 8,500.00										
Junior Class Event	\$ 650.00	\$ -	\$ 650.00										
Field Day	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 250.00										
Spirit Wear	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00										
TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION													
First Friday Breakfast	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 643.48	\$ 1,356.52	\$ -	\$ 227.17	\$ 207.48	\$ 208.83						
Teacher Meals	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00										
Teacher Appreciation	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 509.00	\$ 1,491.00	\$ 509.00									
Gifts (Retirement, Bereavement, etc.)	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00										
Recognition Reception	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00										
MSSHA Awards - Coach Gifts	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00										
CLASSROOM & SCHOOL SUPPORT													
Teaching Materials - Metro Grant	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00										
Metro Reads	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00										
Health and Wellness	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00										
Naviance Software (payment 2 of 3)	\$ 6,850.00	\$ 6,849.98	\$ 0.02	\$ 6,849.98									
PTO EXPENSES													
General Expenses/Supplies	\$ 100.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00						
Membership Toolkit (Online Directory)	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ 450.00										
Postage	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00										
Fund Drive Marketing	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00										
Beautification	\$ 500.00	\$ 191.24	\$ 308.76				\$ 191.24						
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 45,550.00	\$ 8,717.73	\$ 36,832.27	\$ 7,868.01	\$ 232.17	\$ 212.48	\$ 405.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NET INCOME (LOSS)		\$ (7,123.26)		\$ 4,247.64	\$ 4,015.47	\$ 3,802.99	\$ 4,992.39	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
BALANCE SUMMARY													
Commerce Bank													
Checking Account Balance	\$ 12,848.94												
Pending Checks	\$ (457.26)												
SLPS Foundation													
880 Metro Balance	\$ 6,735.22												
Pending Deposits													
TOTAL BALANCE	\$ 19,126.90												

Notes:
 \$200 refunded for Coaches gifts from 21-22 school year
 880 balance does not reflect current funds from Fund Drive

- Julie Z Do we have a budget of \$1000 for Spring Fling? Yes

Principal Update

- Final exams begin tomorrow
- Teacher Updates:
 - Prof resigned for personal reasons, she will be missed. She is going to assist with whoever transitions in. Someone is identified to help temporarily: Marilee Perez. Dr. T does have some leads for a permanent replacement, and she is reaching out to all contacts.
 - Mr. Yentumi is on leave, we don't know for how long. Mr. Perniciaro is stepping in to create the final exam for his class (based on where they were in the curriculum)
 - There will be other changes with who teaches advanced algebra next school year. Dr. T. is advocating maintaining and strengthening the academic program at Metro.
- Seniors were able to meet with Jostens for class rings, 2023 gear etc. They're also they're organizing a senior photo with the Arch in the background.
- Dr. T is considering organizing a huge signing day for seniors, not just for athletes but for everyone. Looking into doing it at SLU's cultural center.
- Recruitment: We had over 360 applicants for 90 seats in the freshmen class. The majority of the students are from McKinley, then Gateway, Compton Drew, Busch, and then about 20 seats left that are charter.
- Planning for the summer: they want to offer some courses in the summer. The administration would like to offer more electives at Metro.
- Angel: Could students be surveyed about the kind of courses they'd be interested in? Dr. T: Yes. I know they're interested in contemporary issues class.
- Ami: Can you tell us more about summer offerings? Dr. T: Last year there were packets, and that was not ideal. She prefers teacher student interaction. She wonders if McKinley, Collegiate, and Metro could get together and coordinate on summer offerings.

Class Updates

- Seniors (Genyne)
 - Ice skating party: Tuesday, Dec 20, 1-5 pm at Steinberg
 - Booked Carondelet Y on May 19, Friday 10pm-6am (booking entertainment, food)
 - Thanks the diversity committee for hosting (insert name of guest speaker)
- Juniors
 - Patty: No updates, looking to plan something for the spring (maybe a game night)
- Sophomores
 - Ami: no updates
- Freshman
 - Minyon and Julie Z: Spring fling in the planning stages
 - Was the breakfast too much? Dr. T: It was wonderful, no left overs
- Student Council
 - Sonali couldn't be there, sent a report: Thank you for all the support with the care packages. They're sponsoring a stress free pajama week.

New Business

- Angel: Board of Ed. voted to have SLPS sponsor Confluence last night. There will be two open seats on the school board, filing in by December 27, encourage people to consider running or supporting candidates. Interested people can apply in person at 300 N. Tucker Blvd.; St. Louis, MO 63101. Pay \$100 filing fee via cash or check (Office Hours are Monday - Thursday: 8am - 5pm; and Friday, 8am -2 pm).

Upcoming Dates/Announcements

1. Winter Break: December 21-January 3
2. Return to School: January 4
3. PTO Meeting: January 11
4. No School: January 16
5. PTO Meeting: February 8
6. No School: February 17
5. PTO Meeting: February 8
6. No School: February 17
7. No School: February 20
8. PTO Meeting: March 8
9. No School: March 17
10. Spring Break: March 20-24

Meeting adjourned at 8:05