

Milwaukee High School of the Arts

PTSO Minutes – April 6, 2009

17 people in attendance.

Administration Report:

- Conferences - format will be the same in fall with some tweaking per suggestions made.
- 300 Club – event well received. PTSO inquiry as to whether it would be done again in fall. Anyone that made purchases should email information to tototoo@tds.net or milleroats2@sbcglobal.net for future records.
- UK kids tech rehearsal at 4:15 p.m. and performance at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 7th. MHSA kids performed to full house so would like to extend same courtesy by filling black box.
- Battle of bands Tuesday, April 7th at 7 p.m. in auditorium. Food served beginning at 4 p.m. for UK fundraiser. Suggestion to sell spirit wear. Coordinator has conflict but can get there at 6:15 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: No report available – nothing was put in PTSO box. AK reported \$974.20 from WSMA.

WSMA proceeds March 7: Mr. Roberts looking for cover for piano located in the auditorium. Approx. cost reported of \$700. AK tabled discussion since no formal request available.

CARS Collaboration: Vince Katter, CARS President introduced to group. CARS is 501c3 public charity set up to benefit MHSA. Has been meeting for several years but struggling with event coordination. Limited number of members and would like to coordinate with PTSO parents to help with events. Vince will act as liaison with PTSO.

Title 1: VS has obtained approval to have Title 1 table at MHSA Open House in fall to get information out to families. Reported on agenda items from last meeting attended.

- Region 5 conference in Detroit. They have bilingual 1st to 5th grade school teaching five languages in one facility.
- Safe Schools nutrition workshop in March had 125 signed up, approx. 40 attended. Upcoming strategies to managing behaviors workshop on 4/29.
- Budget planning for Title 1 stimulus money.
- Parent Leadership conference in Madison.

Also attended excellent MMABSE technology event at Washington High School.

CV reminded group of Discovery World event 4/23 and 5/28. She is working with MHSA students to create art out of the box poster for May contest. Information says pre-register but she believes you can probably just show up on the day. Poster contest winners receive free annual pass to Discovery World.

New Items:

- Spirit Wear – CV would like to order more. AK inquired as to how much is needed and CV is not sure. Will put specifics together and send email. Is thinking two-tone girls shirt and some of the bags.
- Senior Camping Trip to Kohler-Andrae State Park in Sheboygan May 8th to May 10th. Cost will be \$25 per student. There is a limit of 54 students. Information going out to students on 4/7/09.
- Spring Awakening was sellout. Being staged again for April 24th thru 26th. May also take to UW-Madison.
- AK stepping down as chair. Will not lead meetings but will attend to help with transition. JR is happy to take lead.

*Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. Next meeting date Monday, May 4, 2009.
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