

Col. Zadok Magruder High School



Parent Teacher Student Association

Minutes for the 9/19/06 Meeting

- I. Call to Order:** President Martha Schaerr called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.
- II. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were approved, as already corrected and handed out, by Martha Schaerr. Motion to approve minutes was made by Ariane Buckeridge. Seconded. Motion carried.
- III. Treasurer's Report:** Denise Zdelar (check sp) indicated the need for an official 2006-7 budget for the October Meeting, and asked for volunteers.
- IV. Delegate's Report:** Discussed whether MHS PTSA wanted to approve a MC PTSA recommendation regarding adding more hours for health room technician/school nurses to extend their coverage from 5 ½ hours to 7 hours per day. Discussion. MHS PTSA voted to endorse the MC PTSA recommendation.
- V. Committee Reports:** Chairs/Board representatives went over Committee functions and reports, as follows:
 1. Courier Deadline is the Thursday after each PTSA meeting. Announcements and news stories welcome.
 2. MHS Yahoo Group Email, Paula Zeller is heading email committee. Submit names to Martha or join online at MHS Web site.
 3. Internet Safety will be topic of November PTSA meeting.
 4. Membership and directories are still available from Chair Cheryl White.
 5. Volunteer Chair *still needed*.
 6. Standing Rules committee is being created by Joe Stewart; *volunteers needed*.
 7. Scholarship committees are being headed by Henry Lee for Steinberg Community Service, Helen Zakour for Magruder Award, and Susie Scofield for Hungerford LaMont Award.
 8. Class Coaches is being chaired by Carolyn Deeley. They will hold a discussion on *9th Grade Success Tips at 7 pm on October 17, prior to PTSA meeting.*

9. Staff Appreciation will continue to honor staff/teachers monthly. Chair Maureen Hanson requested *donations of candy and baskets for October*, and more volunteers to assist with the Staff Birthday Greetings.

10. Hospitality: Martha Schaerr reported that John Moeller will chair *Float Day fundraiser* selling lunches at the event, if funding is approved by PTSA. *Principal Coffees* will continue with first being held on 9/28/06 at Martha's. *More volunteers needed to host Coffees.*

11. Middle-School Liaisons will help unify MHS cluster and ease transition between 8th and 9th grade.

12. Hispanic Outreach Chair Nieves Costa reported that the committee will be hosting a meeting at her home. Date to be determined.

13. NAACP Coordinator *Chair needed.*

14. Fundraising Committee will have several events. Yvette Sherman will again chair the fundraising dinner. *Golf Invitational Chair needed* to work with MHS Boosters.

15. Facilities committee will be chaired by Lewis Wilen, who wants more volunteers to add input, participation and solutions.

VI. Old Business:

1. PTSA Fundraiser: Joe Stewart moved to that PTSA provide \$300 to purchase supplies and overhead for fundraiser to sell lunches on Float Day.

Seconded. Motion carried.

VII. Principal Report: Acting Principal Lee Evans reported on

1. Improved scores, on both SATs and HSAs (high school achievement) in 06.

2. Edline, the new online grading program, was reviewed by George Bachtell, who encouraged parents to sign up and review grades and assignments regularly. He said teachers should updating grades every three weeks, at minimum.

3. Grade Administrators, are Susan Frishman for 9th Grade, Valda Valbrun for 10th Grade, Jennifer Hoover for 11th Grade, and Ellen Hudson for 12th Grade.

4. Lunch, mixed lunches will continue this year but will be re-visited for 2006-07.

5. Security, continues to be a priority. Fence has been installed between MHS and Casey House; more cameras have been added.

6. Facilities improvements were reviewed, including the new tables for cafeteria, Painting of auditorium and science rooms, and renovated food sciences kitchens.

He invited parents to join him in a tour of the facilities renovations/improvements.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned. Martha Schaerr adjourned meeting at 8:50 pm.

IX. Facilities Tour: Mr. Evans led parents on a tour of renovated and improved facilities at MHS.