

Mission Valley School Association

Minutes

January 8, 2013

Attendance: Shirin Aidun, , Catherine Phan Dang, Filiz Crocker, Chris Nagata, Michele Berke, Virginia Hom, Suzanne Yost Ackerman, Ashok Agrawal, Genevieve Randoph, Trish Cowan

1. The meeting was called to order by President Catherine Phan Dang at 7:07.
2. The minutes from the December meeting were approved as presented.
3. **Issues-progress and updates**
 - a. **MVSA Website-** We currently have a “static” website while looking at the new website under construction. We will use Friday folders to inform parents of MVSA activities and information until the new website is up and running.
 - b. **Safety Patrol-** Fliers were passed out and only two people volunteered to help out, one for the a.m. shift and one for the p.m. shift. Virginia will look into recruiting community service officers and will talk to Dr. Morris about safety issues in our parking lot.
Many ideas were discussed, like closing the parking lot or publishing license plates of drivers who are not following the safety rules or the directions of the adults and safety patrol on duty, A decision was made to close the parking lot during the afternoon pick up until further notice.
 - c. **Pay Pal-** We will try Pay Pal for Jogathon donation and see how it goes.
 - d. **Science Camp Scholarship Plan-**There was much discussion around the planning for possible camperships so as not to adversely affect the budget. No solution was put into place. In the past it has not been a huge burden for the MVSA. This year nine “camperships” (some partial) were confirmed as of meeting time requiring funding of \$2577.45 with a possibility of two more which could be a grand total of \$3,139.25. The cost of camp is \$361.00 per student, which includes transportation by bus.
4. **Committee Updates:**
 - a) **F.A.M.E.** –Virginia sent an email to the volunteers to see if they had any plans. They had not had a F.A.M.E. week in 2012. This program may be on hold if there are not leaders to plan it. Virginia was going to look into what other schools are doing and see if we might get some training for our volunteers.
 - b) **Classroom Celebrations** –The next celebration will be Valentines’ day and then again right before Spring Break.
 - c) **Letter Reward Picnic-** No volunteer yet...what should we do?
 - d) **Follow up Needed-** We still need to follow up on : Disaster Preparedness, Yearbook, Hospitality, Sixth Grade Promotion, Staff Appreciation and Trophies and Ribbons.
 - e) **Spring Pictures-** Suman Gill will coordinate. Picture day is March 26th.
 - f) **Sixth Grade Promotion** will be on June 14th and the Pool Party will be on Monday, June 17th.
5. **Principal’s Report**
 - a) Our first basketball game is this Friday at 3:30.
 - b) Sibling Registration starts next week. We have been scheduling appointments, which is new this year.
 - c) School will not be in session on Monday, January 21st in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.
 - d) Wireless access was installed during winter break in many of the classrooms. Thanks to MVSA and District Personnel.
6. **Teacher Report**
 - a) First and Second Graders will be going on a Field Trip to see a play at Ohlone College.

b) Teachers were wondering if there was a possibility of getting peepholes installed in classroom doors so as to identify who students and teachers would be opening the door to. There are about 30 classrooms. A discussion developed around this safety idea. It was suggested that some type of camera be installed in the hallways or over doors so teachers could see on their computers who was at the door before opening it.

7. **Budget**-Accelerated Reader (AR) was upgraded. We are \$200.00 in the hole from AR. Ms. Aidun said she would talk to teachers who signed their classes up to use it. They will need to turn in money collected or follow up donations and turn into MVSA.

8. **Treasurer's Report**- Report was reviewed and approved.

9. **Email**- Mail Chimp-Champions-we need one point of contact and a back up for email. It was decided that the President and the Vice President are the email Administrators. Chris Nagata is the primary, Filiz Crocker is the Secondary and Amit is the third .

Meeting was adjourned at 8:51.

Respectfully submitted,

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