

# Mission Valley School Association

## Minutes

April 8, 2014

**Attendance:** David Lee, Genevieve Randolph, Shirin Aidun, Wolf Cramer, Chris Nagata, Srilu Madabushi, Stephen Lotz, Theresa Bettencourt, Michele Berke, Suzanne Yost, Alisa Ho, Paul Rogers

1. The meeting was called to order by President Wolf Cramer at 7:03 p.m.
2. **Presidents Highlights (provided by Wolf Cramer)**
  - a. Golden Sneaker Event completed (Ms. Lopez's Class won)
  - b. Jogathon 2<sup>nd</sup> Day (due to partial rainout) completed - raised \$35K as of 4/11/14 meeting
  - c. Disaster Supplies Updates in progress – some purchases delivered
3. **President Headlights (provided by Wolf Cramer)**
  - a. MV Clean-up Day (scheduled for Saturday 4/12/14)
  - b. Staff Appreciation Week Luncheon (scheduled for Wednesday 5/7/14)
  - c. Multicultural Fair (scheduled for Saturday 5/17/14)
4. The minutes from the March 11, 2014 meeting were approved (with name correction to “Smarter Balanced Assessments”, “SBA”) (Michele Berke motioned/Ms. Aidun seconded, passed unanimously).
5. **Scout Troop 153 – Service Project Proposal**
  - a. Alisa Ho's son is in Boy Scout Troop 153 which meets on the Mission Valley Campus. The troop has 100 members and would like to do a service project for the school/MVSA.
6. **Safety Patrol Update (provided by Paul Rogers)**
  - a. Approximately 3/18/14 an email was received with new program an unexpected and imminent required training for any adults helping with Safety Patrol.
  - b. Our current program (as of time of email receipt) was no longer compliant with current laws
  - c. After various emails with the school district, it was determined, that Paul would attend the training (and others if they could make the mid work day timing). After the training they would revamp our program for next year. For the rest of this year, in order to immediately come into compliance, the program would change materially for adult volunteers – most notably no adults would be in the street directing traffic. Adults can walk through the cross walks with children and they can stand on school property along the sidewalk in the drive through loop and motion cars to drive as far through as possible before stopping to let their children out. According to the F.U.S.D., the Police Department is conducting surveys at school sites determine needs for paid crossing guards. The Police would oversee any paid crossing guards; however, the District is responsible for any voluntary crossing guards.
7. **Principals' Update (provided by Ms. Randolph)**
  - a. Student Council ran a Student Store for the Upper Grade. The Primary Grades will get an opportunity to shop at a Student Store after Spring Break.
  - b. Student Council Spirit Day – PJ Day is 4/17/14
  - c. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students will take practice Smarter Balanced Assessments after Spring Break (Tentative schedule is 5/5/14 to 5/16/14).
  - d. Ms. Randolph will attend the District's new Crossing Guard Training Program. She will also try to get a paid crossing guard for our school. It was suggested that she seek an additional speed bump at the other end of the 3-way stop at school entrance as well.

- e. The new Mission Valley sign was turned down a bit in response to the request of some MV neighbors. The sign should also turn off at night but seems to have stopped doing that and may need to be reset.

#### **8. Teachers' Update (provided by Mr. Lotz & Ms. Aidun)**

- a. Pursuant to approval received via the March MVSA Meeting, the Scholastic Reader (Weekly Reader) has now been renewed for next year. Payment is not due until the Fall (start of the 2014-15 school year).
- b. Letter Reward events take place very late in the school year and the teachers have asked if they could request prepayment for some of these events (rather than submit for payment after the event and at the very end of the school year). The MVSA agreed providing that sufficient support documents were provided (quotes, etc.).
- c. Some teachers were interested in perhaps adding some different Teacher Appreciation Week activities in future years. The Luncheon is still appreciated, however, some staff had heard of other activities at different schools that looked interesting. There were some ideas presented, for example, providing an optional list to parents of low/no cost items – a note written by student, a picture drawn by student, a flower from garden, etc. After discussion it was determined that additional discussion was needed.

#### **9. Treasurers' Update (provided by Srilu Madabushi)**

- a. As of 3/31/14 the MVSA Bank Account/Pay Pall Balances total \$93,588. Some Jogathon funds have been received but additional funds are still being received.
- b. Recent material expenditures include: Lighted MV Sign (approximately \$24,000 – came in under budget), and \$1500 MV Library Donation (matching funds to their fund drive).
- c. Field Trip payments and proper capture of grade level for field trip (e.g. was it 5<sup>th</sup> grade, or 3<sup>rd</sup>, etc.) was discussed. There were some questions related to Field Trip bus invoices and the coding of bills – Mr. Lotz will review and provide feedback to the MVSA.
- d. Reviewed Budget to Actuals Report

#### **10. Committee Updates (provided by David Lee/Michele Berke)**

- a. Disaster Committee Update – MVSA has purchased bottled water and refillable water containers – plan to fill the refillable containers at School Clean-Up Day.
- b. Clean Up Day Events – Bike mobile will be onsite, filling “refillable” water supply containers, moving emergency water supply from temporary location into storage shed, etc.
- c. Jogathon – was held in two parts (on two days) this year due to the rain on the original date. This year's chair was Suman, she is looking for her replacement for future year's events.
- d. Yearbook – the current chair is looking for someone to shadow her and take over for future years.
- e. Multicultural Fair– Working to recruit entertainment for event (from within MV). Also would like to have food tasting at the event. Event will be free. An idea to have a “Passport” that was stamped at guest visit various locations was discussed.
- f. May Day Dance is 5/21/14 in the morning on campus.

#### **11. Old Business (reviewed by Wolf Cramer)**

- a. Golden Sneaker contest - great participation.
- b. Board Nominations – continue to solicit names for the May MVSA Board Elections. Recruit other/new parents!

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p. m. The next meeting is May 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
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